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At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden (by Adjournment) at *Providence*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the last Monday in *February*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Two, and in the Sixteenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

His EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The H O N O R A B L E

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Esq. Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq. }

PELEG ARNOLD, Esq. }

JAMES ARNOLD, Esq. }

CALEB GARDNER, Esq. }

JOHN COOKE, Esq. }

JAMES CONGDON, Esq. }

THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq. }

THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq. }

JOB WATSON, Esq. }

JOHN HARRIS, Esq. }

Assistants.

The S E C R E T A R Y.

D E U T I E S

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

THE HONORABLE WILLIAM BRADFORD, Esq. SPEAKER.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
 Mr. Peleg Clarke,
 Mr. Francis Brinley,
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq.*
 Mr. Edward Simmons,
 John Topham, *Esq.*

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq.*
 Ainos Atwell, *Esq.*
 Robert Newell, *Esq.*
 David Howell, *Esq.*

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, jun. *Esq.*
 Mr. Thomas Potter,
 Mr. Samuel Elam.

WARWICK :

Mr. Moses Arnold,
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
 Mr. Joseph Brown.

WESTERLY :

Walter White, *Esq.*
 Mr. Thomas Noves.

NEW-SHOREHAM :

None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 Mr. William Congdon.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Jonathan J. Hazard, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

Mr. James Sweet,
 Hopkins Cooke, *Esq.*

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. Isaac Howland,
 Mr. John Weedon.

SMITHFIELD :

Daniel Mowry, *Esq.*
 Mr. Job Aldrich.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*
 Nachaniel Medbury, *Esq.*

GLOUCESTER :

Seth Hunt, *Esq.*
 Stephen Winfor, *Esq.*

CHARLESTOWN :

None.

WEST-GREENWICH :

William Mathewson, *Esq.*
 Mr. Caleb Hall.

COVENTRY :

Mr. Job Greene,
 Mr. Joseph Manchester.

EXETER :

Mr. Christopher Champlin,
 Mr. Charles Tripp.

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. James Potter,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

Mr. Speaker.

TIVERTON :

Abraham Barker, *Esq.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

John Davis, *Esq.*

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Mr. Ichabod Cole.

CUMBERLAND :

John S. Dexter, *Esq.*
 John Lapham, *Esq.*

RICHMOND :

Mr. Thomas Lillibridge,
 Mr. Peter Clarke.

CRANSTON :

George Waterman, *Esq.*
 Peter Stone, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Matthewson, *Esq.*
 Mr. William B. King.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith,
 Elisha Brown, *Esq.*

BARRINGTON :

Thomas Allen, *Esq.*
 Mr. John Short.

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

RAY GREENE, Esquire, Clerk of the Lower House.

PURSUANT to an Agreement entered into for the Convenience of the Militia in the Town of *Exeter*, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the dividing Line between the First and Second Company of Infantry in the said Town be altered and run as followeth, *to wit*: Beginning at the Line between *West-Greenwich* and the aforesaid Town of *Exeter*, where the River runs through the Cedar Swamp, from thence Southerly as the River runs until it comes to *Isaac Chapman's* Mill-Dam, thence following the Highway Southerly until it comes to *Solomon Sprague's* Southeast Corner, thence Westerly, thence Southerly, thence Westerly again as the Highway runs to *Charles Tripp's* Southwest Corner: And that all those living to the Eastward and Southward of the said Line shall belong to the First Company; and all those living to the Westward and Northward of the said Line, to the Second Company.

Dividing
Line between
Two Militia
Companies
in *Exeter*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-two Pounds Twelve Shillings and Nine Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Tew*, Keeper of the Gaol in *Newport*, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for the Prison-Fees and Support of divers poor Prisoners committed at the Suit of the State.

T. Tew al-
lowed £ 22
12s. 9d.



WHEREAS the Preservation of this State in Time of War depends, under God, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: And whereas a Number of Inhabitants of the Town of *Scituate*, *to wit*: *Samuel Ferry*, *Stephen Smith*, the 3d. *Gideon Smith*, *Luther Eddy*, *William Thornton*, *Eliphalet Whipple*, *Stephen Waterman*, *Joseph Williams*, jun. *Charles Whidden*, *James Potter*, *Stephen Kimball*, *Martin Luther*, *Isaac Kimball*, *Elisha Bowen*, jun. *Noah Fisk*, *Job Keach*, *Benjamin Ross*, jun. *John Whidden*, *Caleb Fenner*, *Samuel Fenner*, *Abraham Atwood*, *Elisha Mathewson*, *Daniel Kimball*, *Abner Pratt*, *Peleg Fuller*, jun. *Owen Batty*, *Job Wilbur*, *Abraham Corps*, *Bishop Fuller*, *David Aldrich*, *Caleb Potter*, jun. *William Salisbury*, *George Guile*, *Reuben Steere*, *Charles Salisbury*, *James Williams*, jun. *Benjamin Medbury*, *Noah Kimball*, *James Kimball*, *Christopher Waterman*, *Eliphaz Taylor*, *Stephen Medbury*, *Thomas Medbury*, *Joseph Tayler*, *Eleazer White*, *Daniel Angell*, *John Henry Bowen*, *Richard Rhodes*, *Paul Williams*, *William Dexter*, and *Abel Parker*, have offered themselves to begin, and with such others as are or shall be added to them, to form themselves into a Company, by the Name of the *Scituate Light-Infantry*, in the County of *Providence*, and by their humble Petition prayed this Assembly, to grant them a Charter, with such Privileges, and under such Restrictions and Limitations as this Assembly shall think proper: Wherefore this Assembly, in order to give all due Encouragement to a laudable Design,

Charter to
the *Scituate*
Light-In-
fantry.

HAVE

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and by these Presents do ordain, constitute, and grant, that they the said Petitioners before named, together with such others as shall be hereafter added to them, not exceeding the Number of Sixty, Rank and File, exclusive of Officers, be and they are hereby declared to be an Independent Company, by the Name of the *Scituate Light Infantry* in the County of *Providence*, and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights and Privileges in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IMPRIMIS. It is granted unto the said Company, that they, or the greater Number of them, shall and may once in every Year, that is to say, on the last *Tuesday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together in some convenient Place by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit*: One Captain, Two Lieutenants and One Ensign, and all other Officers necessary for training, disciplining and well-ordering of the said Company; at which Election no Officer shall be chosen but by the greater Number of Votes then present; the Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign to be approved by the Governor and Council for the Time being, and shall be commissioned and engaged in the same Manner that other military Officers in this State are.

SECONDLY. The said Company shall have Liberty to meet and exercise themselves upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Colonel or other Field-Officers of the Regiment in whose District they live in such meeting and exercising, and shall be obliged to meet for exercising at least Twice in every Year, upon the Penalty of paying to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, *to wit*: The Captain, for each Day's Neglect, *One Pound Sixteen Shillings*, lawful Money, the Lieutenants and Ensign, each, *Twenty Shillings*, lawful Money, the Serjeants and Corporals, each, *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, and the common Soldiers, each, *Six Shillings*, lawful Money, to be levied by Warrant of Distrain from the Captain, or other Superior Officer of said Company, for the Time being, directed to either of the Serjeants.

THIRDLY. The said Company, or the greater Number of them, shall have Power to make such Rules and Orders among themselves as they shall think necessary, to promote the End of the Establishment, and to lay such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of their own Company for the Breach of any such Rules and Orders as they shall think proper, so as the same exceed not *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, for any Offence, and also shall have full Power to levy the Fines and Forfeitures they shall so impose by Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or other Superior Officer of the said Company, for the Time being, directed to either of the Serjeants.

FOURTHLY,

FOURTHLY. All those who shall be duly inlisted in the said Company, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing military Duty (Watching and Warding excepted) in the several Companies, or trained Bands, in the District they respectively live, excepting such as shall at any Time be Officers in any of the said Companies.

FIFTHLY. The commissioned Officers of the said Company, from Time to Time, shall be of the Court-Martial and Council of War in the Regiment in whose District they live.

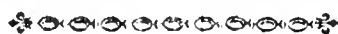
SIXTHLY. If any Officer or Officers of the said Company, shall be disapproved by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of the said Town of *Scituate*, or shall be taken away by Death, that then, in either of these Cases, the Captain of the said Company, or the Superior Officer for the Time being, shall call the said Company together, as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another or others in the Room of such Officer or Officers so disapproved, removed or taken away by Death, in the same Manner as herein before is directed.

SEVENTHLY. And for the further Encouragement of the said Company, it is further granted, that the Captain of the said Company shall be of the Rank of a Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant, the Lieutenants of the Rank of Majors, and the Ensign of the Rank of Captain. And upon all Field Days, and public Trainings the said Company shall hold their Rank and Station Twenty Paces on the Right of the Regiment in whose District they are included; and on such Occasions shall be subject to the Orders of the Field-Officers of the Regiment.

EIGHTLY. The said Company in the Time of an Alarm shall be under the immediate Direction of the Captain-General of the State, and the Officers commissioned accordingly.

AND it is Ordered, That the Secretary draw a fair Copy of this Act, sign the same, affix the State Seal thereto, register it in the public Records, and present the said fair Draft, signed and sealed as aforesaid to the said Company.

AND it is Voted and Resolved, upon the Recommendation of the Petitioners, That *Samuel Perry* be appointed Captain; *Benjamin Bos*, jun. First Lieutenant, *Benjamin Medbury*, Second Lieutenant, and *Elisha Mathewson*, Ensign, of the said Company.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds Five Shillings and Two Pence, Specie Value, be allowed to *Richard Smith*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*; it being the Amount of his Account

R. Smith allowed £ 4 5^s. 2^d.

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for delivering Acts of Assembly, Proclamations, and Commissions, to the proper Officers in the said County; for his Attendance upon the Courts, and for Repairs made to the State-House in the said County; and that the same be paid out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Grant to N.
Perkins of
forfeited
Money.

WHEREAS *Newman Perkins*, of *Exeter*, Esq. preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that in the Year 1786, he lodged with *Robert Stanton*, Esq. a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, *Twelve Pounds*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note by him given to *Elizabeth Phillips*, of *Richmond*; which being refused was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since paid the same in another Manner; and thereupon prayed that the said Money may be restored to him: On Consideration whereof, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the Sum so lodged by the said *Robert Stanton*, be paid, out of the General-Treasury, to the said *Newman Perkins*.

S. Kinnicut
allowed £ 1
17s. 6d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Shubael Kinnicut*, Esq. late Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon the Courts, and for transmitting Acts of Assembly, &c. to the proper Officers in the said County; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Report upon
E. Cornell's
Account.

THE following State of the Account of Brigadier-General *Cornel*, and Report thereon, were presented unto this Assembly, *to wit*:

Dr. The State of *Rhode-Island*, &c. in Account Current with
Ezekiel Cornel.

To my Pay as Brigadier-General, from *September*
22d, A. D. 1777, to *April 6th*, A. D. 1780, at
125 Dollars per Month,

£ 1142 11 0

Creditor.

By the Specie Value of the nominal Sum received,
being £ 1142 11s. 0d. agreeably to the Scale a-

£ 133 10 0 $\frac{1}{4}$

By Cloathing received of *John Reynolds*, Agent-
Clothier,

58 16 11

Balance due to the said *Ezekiel Cornel*,

950 4 0 $\frac{1}{4}$

£ 1142 11 0

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THE above Account for Depreciation, so far as it respects the Debt and Credit for Monthly Pay, is stated agreeably to the Principles adopted in settling the Account of the State Troops for Depreciation.

ESEK HOPKINS,
BENJAMIN BOURN, } Committee.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said *Ezekiel Cornel*, with Respect to the aforesaid Demand, be placed in the same Situation with the Officers and Soldiers of the late State Regiment, under the Command of the Colonels *Elliott*, *Crary* and *Topham*, agreeably to the Acts of this Assembly, passed at *October* Session, A. D. 1785, accepting the Reports of the Committee who adjusted the Depreciation Accounts of those Regiments; and agreeably also to the Acts of this Assembly passed at *May* Session last, respecting the said Regiments.



An ACT for dividing the First Regiment in the County of *Providence* into Two Regiments.

WHEREAS the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence* is, by the great Increase of Inhabitants, become much too large, and it will be of public Utility to divide the same: First Regiment in the County of *Providence* divided.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the First Regiment in the County of *Providence* be, and the same is hereby divided into Two Regiments: That the Companies in *Providence* and *North-Providence* form One Regiment, to be commanded by One Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant and Two Majors, which shall be called the First Regiment in the County of *Providence*: And that the Companies in *Cranston* and *Johnston* form One Regiment, to be commanded by One Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant and Two Majors, which shall be called the Sixth Regiment in the County of *Providence*.

AND whereas it is represented unto this Assembly, That several Companies in the Two Regiments now formed are too large:

BE it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Field-Officers of the said Regiments be, and they are hereby empowered, with the Approbation of the Brigadier-General of the County, to divide the Companies composing the said Two Regiments, when necessary, reporting their Doings to the Legislature at the next Session after such Division shall be made.



S. Eddy allowed £2 8s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Two Pounds Eight Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to *Samuel Eddy*, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. for the County of *Providence*; it being the Amount of his Account for a Book purchased by him for recording the Judgments of the said Court; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Officers appointed. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That the following Officers be and they are hereby appointed, to wit:

Philip Martin, Esq. First Major, and *Bennett Wheeler*, Esq. Second Major, of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

William Potter, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant, *Benjamin Atwood*, Esq. First Major, and *Philip Arnold*, Esq. Second Major, of the Sixth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Benjamin Andrews, Lieutenant, and *George R. Burrell*, Ensign, of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *Providence*.

Ezekiel Burr, Captain, *George Weeden*, Lieutenant, and *William Snow*, Ensign, of the Third Company of Infantry in the Town of *Providence*.

Daniel Proud, Captain, and *Jeremiah Eddy*, Lieutenant, of the Fourth Company of Infantry in the Town of *Providence*.

W. Tripp allowed £1 4s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That One Pound Four Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *William Tripp*, out of the General-Treasury; it being the Amount of his Account for the Hire of a Horse for the public Service, in *November*, 1779; and that the same be paid, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Inspector of Militia established. *BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted*, That an Inspector of the Militia of this State be in future appointed; that the Duties of the Office be discharged agreeably to the Regulations formed by *Baron Steuben*, for the disciplining and governing the Troops of the United States of *America*, which were approved by Congress in the Year 1779, and are now observed by the Militia of this State, pursuant to the Recommendation of his Excellency the Governor: And that such Inspector be not entitled to any Wages or other Allowance for his Services, excepting in the Time of an Invasion or Alarm.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Bennett Wheeler*, Esq. be and he is hereby appointed Inspector of Militia throughout the State.

B. Wheeler
appointed
Inspector of
the Militia.

WHEREAS *James Miller*, Esq. was, at the Session in *June* last, appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Town of *Warren*, in the Room of *William Barton*, Esq. who was the First Justice of the Peace for the said Town, and was afterwards chosen a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Bristol*; and by a Mistake the said *James Miller* was ranked as the youngest Justice of the Peace for the said Town: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That the said Mistake be rectified, and that the said *James Miller* be commissioned as the First Justice of the Peace for the said Town.

J. Miller
First Justice
for *Warren*.

WHEREAS it is represented unto this Assembly that Mr. *Henry Northup*, of *North-Kingstown*, did, in the Year 1788, lodge the Sum of £ 53 10s. in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, with *Robert Stanton*, Esq. then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, to discharge Two Notes of Hand, due from him to *Samuel Place*, of *Newport*, Labourer, and *Sarah Place*, of *North-Kingstown*, aforesaid, Widow, which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and it appearing to this Assembly, that Mr. *Nicholas Northup*, Executor of the last Will of *Immanuel Northup*, Esq. deceased, hath since paid the said Notes in Specie: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay the said *Nicholas Northup*, so much of the said Money as was lodged in the General-Treasury.

Grant to *N. Northup* of
forfeited
Money.

WHEREAS Mr. *John Slocum*, of *Middletown*, represented unto this Assembly, that he lodged with *Paul Mumford*, Esq. then a Justice of the Superior Court, &c. the Sum of £ 30 9s. in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Mortgage which Mr. *William Brown*, of *Middletown*, aforesaid, held against him, which being refused, was placed in the General-Treasury; and that the said *William Brown* hath since put the said Mortgage in Suit, and obtained Judgment for the Possession of the Lands so mortgaged: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *John Slocum*, so much of the said Money as was lodged in the General-Treasury.

Grant to *J. Slocum* of
forfeited
Money.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds Thirteen Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Mrs. *Sarah Fry*, as Administratrix of the Estate of *Richard Fry*, Esq. deceased, late Sheriff of the County of *Kent*; it being the Amount of his Account for a Table by him purchased for the State-House in the said County, and for his Attendance upon the Courts; and that the same be paid her, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

S. Fry allowed
£4 13s.

R. Reynolds allowed £10 8s. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That Ten Pounds Eight Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. Robert Reynolds (Son of George) of Exeter; it being the Amount of his Account for the Board of Potter Gardner, late a Soldier in Col. Greene's Continental Battalion, now a State Pauper, from June 7th, 1791, to the 6th of this present Month, and for Cloathing supplied him; and that it be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.*

Grant of forfeited Money to B. Peckham. *WHEREAS Benoni Peckham, of Newport, Perukemaker, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that in September, A. D. 1787, he lodged a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, with Jonathan Freeborn, Esq. deceased, then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Newport, to discharge a Mortgage Deed by him made, to Esther Sanford, Widow, and Lydia Sanford, Spinster, both of Newport aforesaid, which being refused was placed in the General-Treasury; and that the aforesaid Mortgage Deed hath been since put in Suit, and Judgment obtained against him, the said Benoni Peckham thereon; and thereupon prayed this Assembly to order the said Money to be paid him, out of the General-Treasury: Which being duly considered, It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to pay to the said Benoni Peckham, the same Money which was deposited as aforesaid, in the General-Treasury.*



Charter to the Federal Protectors.

WHEREAS the Preservation of this State, as well as of other States, depends, under the Protection of God, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: And whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of Smithfield, to wit: Zenas Winsor, Joab Mathewson, Peleg Peck, Job Aldrich, jun. Olney Latham, Daniel Tinkom, William Newell, Eliza Latham, Ichabod Potter, Constant Luther, William Moffatt, John Russell, Jeremiah Winsor, jun. William Potter, jun. William Potter, the 3d. Christopher Wilkinson, Samuel Weston, Elijah Day, John Crosby, Abraham Mathewson, jun. Josiah Deane, Benajah Dyre, Oliver Jenckes, Stephen Sprague, Charles Salisbury, Edward Pike, William Hickes, Amos Eddy, John Slocum, Asber Saunders, George Smith, Joseph Mathewson, Thomas Dyer, James Sweet, Nathaniel Thatcher, Hendrick Smith, Eliza Evans, Emor Olney, Philip Keach, Joseph Carpenter, Solomon Paine, Oliver Saunders, Daniel Winsor, Pardon Smith, Andrew Waterman, jun. Joseph Mitchell, Noah Bartlett, jun. Juni Smith, David Comstock, Christopher Smith, Gardner Aldrich, Simeon Potter, Barlow Aldrich, William Shumway, Benjamin Waterman, John Appleby, David Tucker, James Brown, George Aldrich, Nathaniel Mowry, jun. Daniel Aldrich, Daniel Tucker, Joseph Aldrich, Thomas Steere, Jabez Mowry, Caleb Shrieve, Nathaniel Mowry, the 3d. Samuel Mowry, Stephen Appleby, and James Appleby, of Smithfield, in the County of Providence, have offered themselves to begin,

gin, and, with such others as shall be added to them, to form themselves into a Company, by the Name of the *Federal Protectors*, and by their humble Petition prayed this Assembly to grant them a Charter, with such Privileges, and under such Restrictions, as this Assembly should think proper: Wherefore this Assembly, in Order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design,

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and grant, That they the Petitioners, together with such others as shall be added to them, not exceeding the Number of Sixty-Four, exclusive of Officers, be, and they are hereby declared to be an Independent Company, by the Name of the *Federal Protectors*; and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and have and enjoy all the Rights and Privileges in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IMPRIMIS. It is granted to the said Company, That they, or the greater Part of them, shall and may, once in ever Year, that is to say, on the Third Monday in April, meet and assemble themselves together, in some convenient Place by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit*: One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign; and all such other Officers as shall be necessary for training, disciplining, and well-ordering the said Company; at which Election no Officer shall or may be chosen, but by the greater Number of Votes then present; the Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, to be approved of by the Governor and Council, for the Time being; and commissioned and engaged in the same Manner as other military Officers in this State.

SECONDLY. The said Company shall meet for exercising at least Four Times in a Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, *to wit*: The Captain, Lieutenants and Ensign, for every Day's Neglect, *Twenty Shillings* lawful Money, each, the Clerk, Sergeants and Corporals, *Six Shillings*, lawful Money, each, and each Private, *Three Shillings* lawful Money; to be levied by Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or other Superior Officer, of the said Company for the Time being, directed to either of the Sergeants.—And furthermore, the said Company shall have Liberty to meet together and exercise themselves upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Colonel, or other Field Officers of the Regiment in whose District they belong or live; in such Meeting and exercising; and that upon all Field-Days and public Trainings the said Company shall hold their Rank and Station upon the left Wing of the Regiment in whose District they are included; and upon such Occasions shall be subject to the Orders of the Field-Officers of the Regiment.

THIRDLY. The said Company, or the greater Part of them, shall have Power to make such Rules, Regulations and Orders among

mong themselves, as they may think necessary to promote the End of the Establishment; and to impose such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of the said Company, for the Breach of any such Rules Regulations and Orders as they shall think proper, so that the same do not exceed *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money for any Offence; which Fines and Forfeitures shall be collected and levied by a Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or other superior Officer of the said Company for the Time being, directed to either of the Serjeants.

FOURTHLY. All those who shall be duly enlisted into the said Company, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing any military Duty in the several Companies or Trained-Bands in whose District they respectively live or belong.

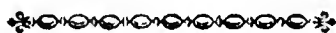
FIFTHLY. The commissioned Officers of the said Company, shall, from Time to Time, be of the Court-Martial, and Council of War, in the Regiment in whose District they live or belong.

SIXTHLY. If any Officer of the said Company shall be disapproved of by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of the said Company, or shall be taken away by Death, then, in either of those Cases, the Captain of the said Company, or other superior Officer, for the Time being, shall call the said Company together as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another or others in the Room and Stead of such Officer or Officers so disapproved, removed, or taken away by Death, in the Manner herein before directed.

SEVENTHLY. The said Company, in Time of Invasion, or in Case of an Alarm, shall be under the immediate Direction of the Captain-General of the State; and the Officers shall be commissioned accordingly.

IT is Voted and Resolved, at the Request of the Petitioners, That *Zenos Winsor*, be appointed Captain, *Joab Mathewson*, First Lieutenant, *Peleg Peck*, Second Lieutenant, and *Job Aldrich, jun.* Ensign, of the said Company.

Grant of forfeited Money to R. and A. Fry.



WHEREAS Mr. *Allen Fry*, of *East-Greenwich*, by his Petition, represented unto this Assembly, That in *September*, A. D. 1789, he lodged with *Stephen Potter*, Esq. then One of the Justices of the Superior Court, &c. £ 151 2s. 6d. in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note given to Messrs. *Clark* and *Nightingale*, by himself, and Mrs. *Rachel Fry*, jointly, which being refused was placed in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since paid the

the same in another Manner; and thereupon prayed the said Money may be repaid. Which being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the General-Treasury be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Rachel Fry* and *Allen Fry*, the same Money which was deposited as aforesaid, in the General-Treasury.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Thirteen Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to Messrs. *Clark* and *Nightingale*; it being the Amount of their Account for Glass for the State-House in *Providence*; and that it be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

*Clarke and
Nightingale
allowed £1
13s.*

WHEREAS Messrs. *Samuel Phillips*, *Amos Gardner*, *John Gardner*, *Silas Casey* and *Samuel E. Gardner*, a Committee in Behalf of the Members of the Corporation of *St. Paul's Church*, in *North-Kingstown*, in the County of *Washington*, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that the Members of the said Corporation are at present unable to put their Edifice for public Worship into decent and suitable Order, and prayed this Assembly to grant them a Lottery to raise the Sum of *Six Hundred and Twenty-five Specie Dollars*, agreeably to the Scheme with the aforesaid Petition presented, to be appropriated for the Purpose of repairing and finishing the said Edifice; and that Messrs. *George Brown*, *Sylvester Gardner*, *Roseland Brown*, *Peter Phillips*, and *Samuel E. Gardner*, may be appointed Directors thereof: Which being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the Prayer of the said Petition be and the same is hereby granted, upon Condition that the Directors give Bond to the General-Treasury for the faithful Performance of their Trust; and that no Expence arise to the State thereby.

Lottery
granted to
repair *St.
Paul's
Church*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Twelve Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *John Bours*; it being the Amount of his Account for Paper delivered to the General-Treasurer for the Use of the State; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

J. Bours allowed £2
12s.

A RETURN being made to the Governor and Council by the Independent Company, called the *Smithfield Grenadiers*, that they had elected *Joseph Wilkinson*, the First Lieutenant of the said Company in the Room of *Zenos Winsor*, who declined; which being duly Considered, the Governor and Council approve the said Choice.

J. Wilkinson
Lieutenant
*Smithfield
Grenadiers*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of Mr. *Thomas Robinson*, Guardian to Mrs. *Abigail Barker*, representing, that about Forty Years ago she deposited a small Sum of Money in the General-Treasury for her Support in her old Age; and that now being very ancient, she hath lost her Reason; and praying that the Money due may be paid for her Support, be referred to the Consideration

Committee
to adjust the
Claim of *A.
Barker*.

tion of Messrs. *George Champlin* and *Peleg Clarke*, who are hereby appointed a Committee to adjust the Balance due to the said *Abigail Barker*; and that they report a Statement of the whole Matter to this Assembly, as soon as may be



An ACT for the Preservation of the Fire-Hooks and Ladders in the Town of *Newport*.

Act for the
Preservation
of Fire-
Hooks and
Ladders in
Newport.

WHEREAS it is represented to this Assembly, that the Fire-Hooks and Ladders of the Town of *Newport* have been frequently mislaid, and destroyed for the Want of some Persons properly authorized to take Charge of them :

BE it therefore Enacted by this General-Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the Freemen of the Town of *Newport*, in Town Meeting legally assembled, yearly and every Year to choose Eight Men from among them to take Charge of their Fire-Hooks and Ladders ; and that such Persons, during the Time for which they shall be appointed to the Office aforesaid, shall be exempted from all such Town Duties as the Fire-Men, chosen to take Care of the Engines are by Law exempted from.



Lottery
granted to
repair the
Road thro'
Glocester to
Connecticut.

WHEREAS a Petition signed by a great Number of Persons, was preferred to this Assembly representing, that the great Country Road leading from *Providence* through *Glocester* to *Woodstock*, in *Connecticut*, is extremely rough and bad, for about Six or Seven Miles to the Eastward of *Connecticut* Line ; that the Land through which it passes is barren, and the Inhabitants but few, and unable to make the said Road good ; and praying that a Lottery may be granted them to raise the Sum of *One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty Specie Dollars*, agreeably to the Scheme with the said Petition presented ; and that Messrs. *Timothy Wilmarth*, *Thomas Owen*, jun. *Solomon Owen*, jun. *Edward Greene*, and *Nathaniel Bewdish*, all of *Glocester*, may be appointed Directors thereof : Which being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the Prayer of the aforesaid Petition be and the same is hereby granted, upon Condition that the Directors give Bond for the faithful Performance of their Trust ; and that no Expence arise to the State thereby.



Charter to
the Social Li-
brary Compa-
ny.

WHEREAS *Seth Capron*, of *Cumberland*, in the County of *Providence*, hath represented to this Assembly, that himself and Sixty-three others, have associated themselves into a Company in the Town of *Cumberland*, which they have denominated the
Social

Social Library Company; that they have expended a considerable Sum of Money in the Procurement of a Library of suitable and useful Books, which they have made Arrangements to increase by the Purchase of others.

AND whereas the said Company has made Application to this Assembly for a Charter of Incorporation; and the Assembly highly approving so laudable a Design, and being willing and desirous to give all the Assistance and Encouragement which it so justly merits, *do Enact and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That Joseph Arnold, Nathan Arnold, William Aldrich, Levi Ballou, Esq. Abner Ballou, jun. Jesse Ballou, Edward Ballou, Oliver Ballou, William Ballou, William Ballou, the 2d. Ariel Ballou, William Bowen, Elijah Brown, Esq. Jesse Brown, Elibu Brown, David Bartlet, Daniel Bartlet, Rufus Bartlet, Laban Bates, Aaron Ballou, Philip Capron, Joseph Capron, Charles Capron, Seth Capron, Ichabod Cook, Josham Carpenter, Esq. Amos Follet, Joseph Follet, John Fisk, Jonathan Fisher, John Gould, Comfort Haskell, Samuel Jencks, Welcome Jenckes, Welcome Jilson, Jeremiah Inman, Nathan Jilson, John Lapbam, Whipple Lovett, Benjamin Lovett, Jonathan Mason, Timothy Mason, Nathaniel Newman, Dan Pain, Isaac Raze, Joseph Raze, Moses Randall, David Ray, Daniel Ray, John Rogers, Nathaniel Scott, Charles Scott, Roger Sheldon, William Whipple, Welcome Whipple, John Weatherhead, Daniel Willcox, Stephen Whipple, Simon Wilkinson, Esq. Joab Wilkinson, Joseph Whipple, Amaziab Weatherhead, Esq. Eliza Waterman and Eleazar Whipple, and all others who shall be by them admitted Members of their Company, be and they are hereby constituted, erected and made a Body politic and corporate, to subsist at all Times forever hereafter, in Deed and Name, by the Name of the *Social Library Company*, and by that Name shall and may have perpetual Succession, and be Persons able and capable in Law, to have, hold, receive and enjoy, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Rents, in Fee-simple, or for Term of Life, Lives, Years, or otherwise, and also Goods, Chattles, and all other Things of what Nature, Kind or Quality forever; and also to give, grant, let, sell or assign the same Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods and Chattles, and to do and execute all other Things, about the same, by the Name aforesaid; and also that they and their Successors, by the Name of the *Social Library Company*, be and forever hereafter shall be a Company, or Persons able, capable and liable to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended against; in all or any of the Courts of Law, or otherwise, before any of the Judges, Justices or other Persons whomsoever, in all Manner of Actions, Complaints, or Pleas whatsoever; and that it shall and may be lawful, to and for the said Company, and their Successors forever hereafter, to have one Common Seal, for their Use, and the same at their Will and Pleasure to change and alter.*

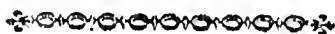
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AND for the well governing and ordering the Affairs of the said Company.

BE it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Company, and their Successors, to assemble and meet together on the First Monday in November, in every Year and at such other Times as they shall think convenient, at their Library, or other suitable Place, in the Town of Cumberland (due and public Notice being given at least Five Days before the Time of their Meetings, provided the same be specially called, not only of the Day, Hour and Place of such Meeting, but of the Cause thereof, and of the Matters to be transacted therein); and that the said Company, or one Third Part of them, at least, being met in Person, or by Proxy, duly constituted in Writing, shall have full Power and Authority, from Time to Time, to make, institute and establish, such Laws, Statutes and Orders, as shall appear to them or the Major Part of them so present, to be useful and necessary for the Government, Regulation and Direction of the Company, and of every Member thereof, and for the appointing and regulating the Election or Nomination of Officers for said Society, and for limiting, appointing and defining their Trust and Authority, and for the admitting new Members, and to do all Things concerning the Government, Estates, Goods and Revenues, and all other the Business and Affairs of the said Company; all which Laws, Statutes and Orders, so to be made as aforesaid, shall be binding on every Member, and be from Time to Time inviolably observed, according to the Tenor and Effect of them, provided, they be not repugnant to the Laws of the State.

AND for the easier and better Government of the said Company, *Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That the said Company at their said Meeting on the said First Monday in November, shall annually choose Three Directors, a Librarian, and Treasurer for said Company.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Company, shall and may meet together at the Dwelling-House of John Fisk, Inn-Holder, in said Cumberland, on the Seventeenth Day of March, A. D. 1792, at 2 o'Clock, in the Afternoon, then and there to choose their Directors, Librarian and Treasurer for said Company, who are to continue to exercise the Duty of their said Appointments until the First anniversary Meeting of said Company.



An ACT to empower the Town-Councils of the several Towns in this State to draw Jurors in certain Cases, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS it is inconvenient for the Freemen of a Town to be assembled for the sole Purpose of drawing Jurors : Town-Councils empowered to draw Jurors.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That it shall and may be lawful, at all Times hereafter, for the Town-Councils of the several Towns in this State, whenever it shall be necessary to draw Jurors, to cause the Boxes in which are contained the Names of the Freemen, to be brought into the Council-Chamber, and the Jurors to be drawn in their Presence ; and that such Choice shall be as valid as if made in the Presence of the Freemen in Town-Meeting assembled.

Provided always, That should any Business make it necessary to convene the Freemen at the Time when Jurors ought to be chosen, that then and in such Case the Jurors shall be drawn in the Presence of the said Freemen ; any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted, That it shall be the Duty of the Town-Council of the several Towns in this State, in the Month of *April* in every Year, to examine the Boxes containing the Names of the Freemen to be drawn for Jurors, and reject therefrom all such as are disqualified, on Account of Defects, either of Body or Mind, or any other Cause, to act as Jurors.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That Fourteen Pounds Five Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Daniel Bradford, Esq. agreeably to the Report of a Committee, in full Compensation of his Account for the Use of his House as a Gaol for the County of Bristol, from June, A. D. 1787, to the present Time ; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. D. Bradford allowed £14 5s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds Four Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. Jonathan Almy ; it being in full for the Rent of the Dower of ——— Eldred, Widow, in his House, which the State became liable to pay, for One Year, commencing March 1st, A. D. 1791 ; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. J. Almy allowed £4 4s.

H. Barber al-
lowed £5 12s.
6d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Five Pounds Twelve Shillings and Six Pence, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. Henry Barber; it being the Amount of his Account, for Printing done for the State; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

S. Johnson
permitted to
exhibit his
Claim.

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of Mr. Samuel Johnson, representing to this Assembly, that he seasonably lodged with Rowse J. Helme, Esq. then One of the Commissioners for receiving equitable Claims against the United States, an Estimate of the Damages done to the Estate lying in Newport, of his Father, Capt. Samuel Johnson, deceased, and soon after went a Voyage to Sea; and that upon his Return he found the Time limited for receiving such Claims expired; and that the said Rowse J. Helme, who was dead, had not, by Reason of his long Sickness, filed the said Estimate in the proper Office, which was kept at Providence: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That the said Samuel Johnson be allowed to exhibit the said Claim to Mr. George Olney, formerly a Commissioner for receiving such Claims; and that he take Cognizance thereof in the same Manner, as if it had been seasonably filed in the aforefaid Office.

R. Gardner
allowed £80
19s.

WHEREAS Amos Atwell, George Champlin, and James Sheldon, Esqrs. who were appointed by the Lower House, a Committee to audit an Account charged against the State, by Mr. Richard Gardner, formerly a Collector of Taxes for the Town of South-Kingstown, for Rates assessed in the Year 1782, upon the Point-Farm, so called, in South-Kingstown, then belonging to the State, presented unto this Assembly the following Report, *to wit*:

IN Obedience to our Appointment, we have carefully examined the Account of Mr. Richard Gardner, with the Vouchers, and report that there is due thereon to him the Sum of Eighty Pounds Nineteen Shillings, in Specie; which is submitted by

AMOS ATWELL,
GEORGE CHAMPLIN, } Committee.
JAMES SHELDON,

ON due Consideration whereof, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be accepted; and that the Balance therein mentioned, of Eighty Pounds Nineteen Shillings, be paid the said Richard Gardner, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Report ref-
erring the
Northern
Boundary-
Line.

WHEREAS the following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit*:

To

To the General Assembly of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, now holden at *Providence*.

AGREEABLY to Appointment, we your Commissioners, have had several Meetings with Commissioners from the State of *Massachusetts*, and conferred on the Subject of the Boundary-Line, between the two States, and entered into an Agreement respecting the principles and Mode of ascertaining the same, which we herewith present. In Pursuance of which Agreement we proceeded, and run out three Miles South of *Charles-River*, from the most southerly Part or Bend thereof, as appears by a Draft or Plat, made from an actual Survey of the said River, by *Joseph Harrison*, One of the Commissioners from this State in 1750; beginning at a Place south 30° W. from *Partridge's Bridge* in *Franklin*, 36 Poles, being Four Rods Westward of a small Stone-Bridge over Mill-Brook, at its Junction with *Charles River*, which River appeared to some of us to be about twenty Times the Size of the said Brook. From this Place Three Miles South, terminated on *Robert Blake's Land*, about Sixteen Rods Southward from where the said *Blake* informed the Commissioners the Bound of 1750 stood, and which Place he shewed, the Stone being made into a Wall near it, and the Pine-Tree cut down. The *Massachusetts* Commissioners then surveyed from an Island in *Whiting's Pond*, described in the Map of *Joseph Harrison* aforesaid, a small Brook running into the said Pond till it came to its Head, as and for *Charles River*, or the most Southerly Part of it, the said Brook being known by the Name of *Fisher's Brook*, and terminates a little N. W. of *Fisher's House* in *Wrentham*. This Brook, being a dry Season when surveyed, did not appear to run above Ground in some Places, though the Ground was swampy and wet. From this Termination, at a Place where an old Chestnut lies fallen, the *Massachusetts* Commissioners propose to measure off the Three Miles, to ascertain their Southern Boundary, to a Place where a Stone Monument was erected in 1790, by *Wrentham* and *Attleborough*, at a Place called the Angle Tree, as the Boundary between the Old Colony of *Plymouth* and *Massachusetts*. In Order to ascertain the Distance which this Monument lies South of the Monument or Line, now held to by this State, and *Massachusetts*, a West Line was run 277 Rods to the Line extending North of *Pawtucket-Falls*, as run in 1746: From this Intersection the Distance appears to be 740 Rods to the present Line, as the same was measured by *Simon Wilkinson*, by Direction of the Commissioners. We then proceeded to *Bullock's-Nesk*, and run N. E. from thence Three Miles, which passed by the Monument erected by the Commissioners of this State in 1746, about Thirty-four Rods; thence we went to *Rumstick-Cove*, and measured off Three Miles N. E. which terminated Eight Rods short of the old Monument; we then run from the most North-easterly Part of *Bristol Harbour*, as far as salt Grass grew, Three Miles N. E. which fell short of the former Monument about Thirty-seven Rods. In measuring down from *Fall-River*, where it enters the Bay, to find the 440 Rods mentioned

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mentioned in the Decree of King and Council, as the Spot to begin at, by going round a small Bay we came to the Place where the Neighbours said the Commissioners of 1746 ran from, but the *Massachusetts* Commissioners objected to this Mode of measuring round the Cove, or Inlet, and claimed a straight Line; it appeared, on measuring the Three Miles East of this Station, that it terminated Westward of the former Bound; but the Course leading into *Watt-upper-Pond*, the exact Distance was not ascertained. The East Line from *Nannaquaquet* fell short about 127 Rods, and that from *Church's Cove* fell short 168 Rods of the Monuments now standing, and shewn by the Neighbours. In the several Measurements on these Lines, no Allowance was made for the Crook, or Sag of the Chain, though several Lines ran through thick Swamps, &c.

At a Meeting at *Providence*, and conferring on the Subject, the Commissioners of both States concluded to report a State of the Business, so far as we had proceeded, not being able to agree upon any other Proceeding in our Appointment.

In Readiness to give such further Information on the Subject as we may be able, and the Assembly may require, we respectfully submit our Report.

Providence, 29th 2d Month,
called *February*, 1792.

JABEZ BOWEN,
MOSES BROWN,
WILLIAM BRADFORD,

Wrentham, 17th 8th Month, called *August*, 1791.

We the Commissioners appointed by the States of *Massachusetts*, and *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, to ascertain and mark out the Boundary Lines between the said States, having met at *Wrentham*, and conversed upon the several Claims, do agree to begin to measure *Charles River*, and measure off Three Miles from the most southerly Part, as claimed by *Rhode-Island*, and described by a Plan or Draft, made by *Joseph Harrison*, One of the Commissioners, who run said Line in 1750; and also to run off Three Miles South from such Waters as the Commissioners from *Massachusetts* may assign, as in their Opinion to be the most southerly Part of *Charles River*, making such Monuments as may appear necessary; and that the same be laid before the respective States, as the Bounds which according to our several Opinions ought to divide the same, agreeably to their respective Charters; and we being of different Opinions, and therefore not able to settle the Line, do also agree to recommend to the said States to submit the Matter in Dispute to indifferent Men of the neighbouring States, or to unite in an Application to Congress, to settle the same agreeably to the respective Charters, and the Constitution of the United States. We also further agree, to perambulate the Line between the two States and ascertain the Bounds agreeably to the Determination of King and Council, so far as from *Bullock's Point* Eastward,

Eastward, leaving the Line from *Pawtucket Falls*, to be run and settled, when the North Line is settled, agreeably to the within or foregoing Agreement.

WALTER SPOONER,
ELISHA MAY,
DAVID COBB,
JABEZ BOWEN,
MOSES BROWN,
WILLIAM BRADFORD.

IT is thereupon Voted and Resolved, That the said Report and the Doings of the Commissioners appointed to adjust the Line between this State and the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*, be referred to the Consideration of *Peleg Arnold*, Esq. *Thomas Holden*, Esq. *Welcome Arnold*, Esq. *Jonathan J. Hazard*, Esq. Mr. *John Holmes*, *Daniel Mowry*, Esq. and *John S. Dexter*, Esq. who are hereby appointed a Committee for that Purpose, and instructed to report to this Assembly such further Measures as they shall think necessary to be taken, to establish the Claim of this State to Lands conterminous to the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Three Shillings and *W. Bradford* Eight Pence, Specie Value, be allowed to *William Bradford*, Esq. allowed £ 1 3s. 8d. it being the Amount of his Account for Cash paid divers Persons, for assisting in running the Line between this State and the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Five Shillings, Specie *M. Brown* allowed £ 1 5s. Value, be allowed to Mr. *Moses Brown*; it being the Amount of his Account for Expences, as One of the Commissioners to run the Line between this State and the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Sixteen Shillings, Specie *J. Ballou* allowed £ 1 16s. Value, be allowed to Mr. *Jesse Ballou*; it being the Amount of his Account, for assisting the Commissioners for running the Line between this State and the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Three Pounds Eight Shillings and Three Pence Halfpenny, be allowed to *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account, for Expences, as One of the Commissioners for running the Line between this State and the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*, and of Part of the Expences of the Surveyor,

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veyor,

veyor, Chainmen, &c. and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

L. Ballou allowed £1 16s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That One Pound Sixteen Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to *Levi Ballou*, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account for the Service of himself and *Nathaniel Shepardson*, Esq. in assisting the Commissioners appointed to run the Line between this State and the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

J. Banister allowed £3 2s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Three Pounds Twelve Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to *John Banister*, Esq. that it be in full Compensation for a Bull driven from *Rhode-Island* by the Order of the Commanding-Officer of this State's Troops, at the Time the *British Army* took Possession of *Newport*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Report of the Re-survey of *Anaquacut Farm*. WHEREAS the following Report was presented unto this Assembly, *to wit*:

WE the Subscribers, being appointed by the Hon. General Assembly at their Session in *October* last, a Committee to re-survey the *Anaquacut Farm*, heretofore set off to the Officers and Soldiers belonging to the Regiment late commanded by Col. *Israel Angell*, report, that we have made a Survey of that Part of said Farm called the Neck, and find it to contain 299 Acres and 44 Rods, as by the Plat thereof herewith presented; the Purchasers of said Farm agreeing to the Survey of the Wood-Lot, as reported by a Committee at *October* Session last; which we report accordingly. All which is submitted by

THOMAS ALLIN,
JOHN DAVIS,
CALEB HARRIS, } Committee.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and hereby is accepted.

T. Allin allowed £2 14s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Two Pounds Fourteen Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to *Thomas Allin*, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account, as One of the Committee appointed to re-survey the *Anaquacut Farm*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

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IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Five Pounds*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Caleb Harris*, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account, for his Services as Surveyor, and as One of the Committee appointed to re-survey the *Anaquacut* Farm; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

C. Harris allowed £5.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid, out of the General-Treasury, to *William Richmond*, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account, in assisting the Committee appointed to re-survey the *Anaquacut* Farm; and that it be paid him, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

W. Richmond allowed 18s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *John Davis*, out of the General-Treasury; it being the Amount of his Account in assisting the Committee for re-surveying the *Anaquacut* Farm; and that it be paid him, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

J. Davis allowed 18s.

WHEREAS the following Report was presented unto this Assembly, to wit:

D. Owen allowed £126.

THE Subscribers, who were appointed a Committee at the Session in *October* last, to adjust the Demands of the Honorable *Daniel Owen*, Esq. and to ascertain the Sum due to him, beg Leave to report, that he was Deputy-Governor of the State from *May, A. D. 1786*, to *May, A. D. 1790*, and that we are of Opinion he ought to be allowed for his Services at the Rate of *One Hundred and Twenty-five Specie Dollars*, a Year, which amounts to

£ 150 0 0

It appears by a Certificate, from the General-Treasurer, that in *May, A. D. 1789*, the said *Daniel Owen* received, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State,

£ 300 0 0

AND in *February, A. D. 1790*, in like Money,

60 0 0

£ 360 0 0

Being Equivalent, at the Exchange of 15 for 1, to Balance due to the said *Daniel Owen* of

£ 24 0 0

126 0 0

£ 150 0 0

WHICH is submitted by

DANIEL MOWRY,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, } Committee.

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ON due Consideration whereof, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be accepted; and that the Balance therein mentioned of *One Hundred and Twenty-six Pounds*, be paid to the said *Daniel Owen*, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange, as a Compensation for his Services as Deputy-Governor of the State.

Committee
to receive the
State's Mo-
ney out of
the Loan-
Office.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *George Champlin*, *Robert N. Auchmuty*, and *Welcome Arnold*, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. the Commissioner of the Loan-Office of the United States, within this State, the Continental Money in his Hands belonging to the State, and lodge the same with *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. and that the said *Joseph Clarke* deliver to the said Committee, the Receipt given by the said Commissioner for the said Money, to be by them returned to the said Commissioner.

Director for
Pawcatuck
River Lot-
tery.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *James Sheffeld*, Esq. be and he is hereby appointed a Director of the Lottery granted by this Assembly at the Session held in *October, A. D. 1785*, for deepning *Pawcatuck River*, in the Room of *Oliver Davis*, Esq. who declines.

T. Tew al-
lowed £1
14s. 3d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Fourteen Shillings and Three Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Thomas Tew*, Keeper of the Gaol in *Newport*; it being the Amount of his Account, for the Maintenance and Prison-Fees of *Stanton Campbell*, a poor Prisoner, committed at the Suit of the State; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

T. Tew al-
lowed £1 9s.
3d. ½.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Nine Shillings and Three Pence Three Farthings*, Specie Value, be further allowed to the aforefaid *Thomas Tew*, in Part of another Account by him charged against the State, for the Maintenance and Prison-Fees of divers poor Prisoners, committed at the Suit of the State; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bill of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

T. Tew al-
lowed £8 7s.
3d. ½.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eight Pounds Seven Shillings Three Pence Three Farthings*, Specie Value, be also allowed to the said *Thomas Tew*; it being the Balance of another Account, by him charged against the State for the Support and Prison-Fees of divers poor Prisoners, committed at the Suit of the State; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Militia Of-
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pointed.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Thomas Relph*, Esq. be and he is hereby appointed Second Major of the Third, and *Thomas Mitchel*, Esq. Second Major of the Fourth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Fifteen Pounds Three Shillings*, *Clarke and* Specie Value, be allowed to Messrs. *Clark and Nightingale*; it being the Amount of their Account, for Glafs supplied for the State-*Nightingale* House, and Blankets for the Gaol, in the County of *Providence*; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. *allowed £ 15 3^d.*

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eight Pounds Fourteen Shillings*, *S. Wells* Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Samuel Wells*, a Deputy-Sheriff for the County of *Washington*, agreeably to the Report of a Committee, in full Compensation of his Account, for the Expences of a Guard at the Gaol in the aforesaid County, and for apprehending and committing divers poor Prisoners, at the Suit of the State; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. *allowed £ 8 1^d.*

AGREEABLY to the Report of a Committee, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the further Sum of *One Pound Three Shillings and Six Pence*, *S. Wells* Specie Value, be allowed the aforesaid *Samuel Wells*; it being the Amount of his Account for the Expences of himself and Aid in carrying Prisoners to the Goal in *Newport*; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. *allowed £ 1 3^d.*

AGREEABLY to the Report of a Committee, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Seventeen Pounds Six Shillings and Nine Pence*, *S. Wells* Specie Value, be also allowed to the said *Samuel Wells*, in full Compensation of his Account, for his Services and Expences, with those of his Aid, in apprehending and committing divers poor Persons, charged with criminal Offences; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. *allowed £ 17 6^s. 9^d.*

It is Voted and Resolved, That the following Officers be and they are hereby appointed, *to wit*: *Officers appointed.*

Daniel Arnold, Esq. Second Major of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*; and *Caleb Aldrich*, jun. Captain, *Moses Aldrich*, Lieutenant, and *Arnold Paine*, jun. Ensign, of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *Smithfield*.



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An ACT for regulating the Affairs of the *Narragansett* Tribe of *Indians*, in this State.

A&T relating
Indian Af-
fairs.

WHEREAS a Number of Persons, calling themselves the major Part of the Tribe of *Narragansett Indians*, in this State, have by their Petition represented unto this Assembly, that many Disputes and Differences subsist in the said Tribe, greatly injurious to its Peace and Welfare, and prayed the Interposition of this Assembly :

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency *Arthur Fenner*, Esq. and *Thomas G. Hazard*, and *Thomas Holden*, Esqs. be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to proceed to *Charlestown*, and make Enquiry into the Causes of those Disputes and Differences, and to take the most prudent and effectual Measures to terminate them : That, for that Purpose, they be and hereby are fully authorized and empowered to make such Rules, Orders and Regulations, for the transacting the public Affairs of the said Tribe, as they shall think most suitable to the Circumstances of the said Tribe, and for the well-governing thereof : And that such Rules, Orders and Regulations shall be binding upon the said Tribe.

It is further Voted and Resolved, That all the Males of the said Tribe of Twenty-One Years of Age, shall and may meet together at the School-House, their accustomed Place of Meeting, on the last *Tuesday* in *March*, *A. D.* 1792, and annually and every Year on that Day, for the Purpose of electing their Council, who shall be chosen by a Majority of Votes ; and that in such Meeting and all others, and upon all Occasions, every Male Person of Twenty-one Years, born of an *Indian* Woman, belonging to the said Tribe, or begotten by an *Indian* Man, belonging thereto, of any other than a Negro Woman, shall be entitled to a Vote.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the said Committee make Enquiry, whether any Encroachments have been made by the white Citizens of this State upon the Lands of the said Tribe, or other Injuries done by the white Citizens to said Tribe, and if they find any, to consider of and report to this Assembly the most suitable Means they can devise to procure Justice to be done to said Tribe, and for making effectual Provision for preventing such Encroachments in future.



J. Potter allowed £ 12 9⁰⁰

AGREEABLY to the Report of a Committee, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Twelve Pounds Nine Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Mr. Joseph Potter*, in full Compensation of his Account, for the Services and Expences of himself and Aid, in apprehending and committing divers Persons, charged with criminal Offences, and attending

attending at the Trials; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

AGREEABLY to the Report of a Committee, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Eleven Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Daniel Babcock*, in full Compensation of an Account by him charged against Mr. *Samuel Wells*, for Victuals and Liquor supplied him, his Aid, and Prisoners, at divers Times; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

It is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be, and he is hereby requested to cause the Debt due from this State, for Services rendered, or Advances made, during the late War, to be ascertained; and the Amount thereof certified to the Senators and Representatives of this State in Congress; that in Case of a further Assumption by Congress, the Creditors may receive Payment from the United States, and this State may be discharged of all Demands of a Continental Nature.

WHEREAS the following Report was made unto this Assembly, *to wit*:

WE the Subscribers, being, by the Honorable General Assembly, at the Session held in *October* last, appointed a Committee to re-examine the Charges made by the several Officers and others, for apprehending, examining and committing the late *David Comstock*, also the Charges of the Jury of Inquest upon the Body of *Ephraim Bacon*, and all other Charges and Claims against the Estate of the said *David Comstock*, do report, that we have carefully examined the same, and find due to the Persons under-mentioned, in Specie, the Sums set against their Names respectively, *to wit*.

Governor to procure a State of the public Debt.

Report upon the Claims against *D. Comstock's* Estate.

<i>Daniel Smith,</i>	£ 3	0	0	<i>Jesse Inman,</i>	£ 0	2	0
<i>Solomon Phillips,</i>	0	2	6	<i>Richard Sergeant,</i>	0	2	0
<i>Seth Phillips,</i>	0	2	6	<i>Stephen Taff,</i>	0	2	0
<i>Elisha Inman,</i>	0	2	6	<i>Nathan Handy,</i>	0	2	0
<i>Afa Durfee,</i>	0	2	6	<i>Ebenezer Handy,</i>	1	10	0
<i>Stephen Comstock,</i>	0	2	6	<i>Cyrenius Rawson,</i>	0	7	6
<i>Caleb Smith,</i>	0	7	6	<i>John Darling,</i>	0	7	6
<i>Richard Lewis,</i>	0	7	6	<i>Samuel Aldrich, the 5th</i>	0	7	6
<i>Seth Mowry,</i>	0	2	6	<i>James Searle,</i>	0	7	6
<i>H Ezekiah Herendeen,</i>	0	2	6	<i>Levi Ballou,</i>	0	6	0
<i>Eber Herendeen,</i>	0	2	6	<i>Abner Chilson,</i>	0	4	0
<i>Ichabod Scott,</i>	0	2	6	<i>John Page,</i>	0	2	0
<i>Elijah Ballou,</i>	0	2	6	<i>William Page,</i>	0	6	0
<i>William Aldrich,</i>	0	12	0	<i>Elijah Bacon,</i>	1	1	0
				<i>Daniel</i>			

Daniel Arnold,	0	4	0	Zebedee Hopkins, Esq.,	} 9 15 10		
Israel Tefft,	1	19	0	Coroner, for the Ex-			
Ebenezer Trask, jun.	0	7	6	pence of the Inquest,			
Richard Buffum,	0	7	6	a Coffin, &c.			
William Arnold,	0	7	6	Seth Phillips,		0	12 0
Joseph Arnold,	0	5	0	Stephen Arnold,		2	12 0
Jacob Hill,	0	2	6	Peleg Arnold,		5	1 0
Jesse Carrell,	0	2	6	Samuel Comstock,		17	14 0
David Mann,	0	2	6	Elijah Read,		0	7 6
William Buffum,	0	2	6	Ezek Aldrich,		0	5 0
Eli Cooke,	0	2	6				
Israel Aldrich,	0	2	6				
Arnold Smith,	0	6	0				
						£ 51	17 10

WHICH is submitted by,

DANIEL MOWRY,
STEPHEN WINSOR, } Committee.
JAMES ALDRICH,

AND the Premises being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be accepted ; that the Persons therein mentioned be allowed the Sums set against their Names respectively ; and that the same be paid them severally, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

£ 30 allowed
for the State-
House in E.
Greenwich.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Benjamin Howland, Esq. and Mr. William Greene, the Committee for repairing the State-House in the County of Kent, be and they are hereby empowered to receive *Thirty Pounds*, Specie Value, out of the General-Treasury, for that Purpose ; that the same be paid, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange ; and that they account for the Expenditure thereof.

G. Thurston
allowed £ 2
4s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to George Thurston, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account for his Services and Expences, as One of the Committee for receiving and examining the Claims against the Estate of *Caleb Church* ; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.



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An ACT in Amendment to an Act, entitled “ An Act for the more equal Distribution of Intestate Estates.”

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That when any Person shall, after the First Day of April next, die seized of any real Estate in Fee simple, and not by him devised, the same shall descend to, and be distributed in equal Shares among his Children, and such as shall legally represent them, in case any of them be dead.

Act for the more equal Distribution of intestate Estates.

IT is further Enacted, That so much of an Act, entitled, “ An Act for the more equal Distribution of Intestate Estates,” made and passed at February Session, A. D. 1770, as entitles and vests in the eldest Son of any Person, who shall decease as aforesaid, or the Representatives of such eldest Son, Two Shares of such Intestate Estates, be and the same is hereby repealed.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That Amos Atwell, and Welcome Arnold, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of John Beverly, Esq. late Sheriff of the County of Providence, with the State; and that they make report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Committee to audit J. Beverly's Account.

WHEREAS Lieutenant-Colonel Jeremiah Olney, in behalf of himself and others, the late Proprietors of the Anaquacut Farm, represented unto this Assembly, that they received a Deed from the General-Treasurer, dated November 23d, A. D. 1782, conveying to them Four Hundred and Forty-seven Acres and Twenty-two Rods, as the Contents of the said Farm: That by the Report of a Committee appointed by this Assembly at the Session held in October last, to re-survey the said Farm, it appears, there is a Deficiency of Twenty-four Acres and Eighteen Rods; and thereupon prayed this Assembly to allow to the said late Proprietors therefor, at the Rate of Ten Pounds Ten Shillings, per Acre, being the original Appraisement, with Interest thereon from the Date of the said Deed, being the same Allowance as hath heretofore been made in Cases of Deficiency of confiscated Estates: And whereas a Committee appointed upon the said Memorial presented unto this Assembly the following Report, to wit:

736 Dollars allowed to the late Proprietors of the Anaquacut Farm.

In Pursuance of our Appointment, we have duly considered the Memorial of Lieutenant-Colonel Jeremiah Olney, and are of Opinion, that there is due from the State to him, as Agent for the late

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Proprietors

Proprietors of the *Anaquasut* Farm, the Sum of *Seven Hundred and Thirty-six* Specie Dollars, in full of the Principal and Interest.

Which is submitted by

AMOS ATWELL,
NOAH MATHEWSON,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, } Committee.

AND the said Memorial and Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the latter be accepted; that the Balance therein mentioned of *Seven Hundred and Thirty-six Dollars*, be allowed to the said *Jeremiah Olney*, as Agent as aforesaid, in full Discharge of the said Deficiency; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Report on
G. Allen's
Account.

WHEREAS Capt. *Gabriel Allen*, of the late State's Brigade, represented unto this Assembly, that in the Adjustment of his Depreciation Accounts, the Committee made a Deduction of *Seventy-seven Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence*, which he hath no Doubt was made for the Want of Information, and which he can shew was erroneous, and prayed this Assembly to appoint another Committee to re-examine his Accounts: And whereas the Committee appointed for that Purpose presented unto this Assembly the following Report, *to wit*:

Providence, March 2d, 1792.

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, we the Subscribers, have examined into the Claim of Captain *Gabriel Allen*, respecting his Pay as Pay-Master, and Clothier, while an Officer in the Line in this State's Brigade, and find that by several Acts of Congress he was entitled to the Wages *per Month*, which are charged in a Copy of his Depreciation Account, hereto annexed; and that the Deduction therefrom of *Seventy-seven Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence*, made by a former Committee, appears to be erroneous.

ESEK HOPKINS, } Committee.
GEORGE OLNEY, }

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that the said *Gabriel Allen* be placed, relative to his Claim, in the same Situation with Brigadier-General *Ezekiel Cornell*, by a Vote of this Assembly passed at the present Session.



An ACT regulating the Assize of Lime-Casks, and the Inspection of Lime.

Act regu-
lating the
Assize of
Lime-Casks,

WHEREAS great Impositions have taken Place, both in the Quantity and Quality of Stone-Lime offered for Sale in this State: For Remedy whereof,

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BE it Enacted by this General-Assembly, and by the Authority thereof and the In-
it is Enacted, That all Stone-Lime in Casks, which shall be offered *spection of*
 or exposed to Sale in this State, shall be put up in Casks of the fol- *Lime.*
 lowing Dimensions, *to wit:* Hogsheds, which shall be Thirty-five
 Inches long within the Heads, and the Heads Twenty-six Inches
 and an Half Diameter, which will contain One Hundred Gallons;
 Half-Hogsheds, which shall be Thirty-two Inches long within the
 Heads, and the Heads Nineteen Inches and an Half Diameter,
 which will contain Fifty Gallons; which shall be well filled with
 good merchantable Lime, with Twelve good Hoops to each Hog-
 shed, and Ten good Hoops to each Half-Hogshed, and shall be
 inspected and branded with the initial Letters of the Inspector's
 Christian Name, and his Surname at large, with the Word IN-
 SPECTED.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall
 be the Duty of each Town in this State in which Stone-Lime is or
 may be burnt, to appoint annually at the usual Time of electing
 Town Officers, as many Persons Fillers and Inspectors of Lime as
 there are Lime-Kilns in such Town, by whom all the Lime offered
 or exposed to Sale as aforesaid, shall be filled and branded:
 That the said Inspectors shall be allowed and paid by the Burners
 of Lime, for filling and branding every Hogshed, *Five Pence*, and
 for every Half-Hogshed *Three Pence*: And that each Inspector
 shall take an Oath or Affirmation to the faithful Execution of his
 Trust before he shall enter upon the Execution thereof.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all
 Casks of Lime offered for Sale or Exportation in this State, not
 branded in Manner as aforesaid, shall be forfeited: One Moiety there-
 of to and for the Use of the Poor of the Town wherein the same
 shall be offered for Sale, and the other Moiety to the Complainant
 or Informer; to be recovered by Bill, Plaint or Information, in any
 Court of Record in the County where the same shall be offered for
 Sale or Exportation.

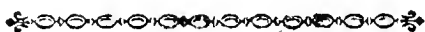
AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That e-
 very Inspector of Lime who shall brand any Cask or Casks of Lime,
 in Manner aforesaid, contrary to the true Intent and Meaning
 of this Act, and be thereof convicted by Bill of Indictment, or other
 due Proof, before any Court of Record before described, shall for-
 feit double the Value of the Lime so proved to be branded: One
 Moiety thereof to the Prosecutor, and the other Moiety to the Poor
 of the Town as aforesaid.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every
 Person who shall counterfeit the Brand of any Inspector appointed
 as aforesaid, or shall imprint any Cask or Casks of Lime with his
 Brand, without his Consent or Approbation; or shall fill any Cask or
 Casks a Second Time, which have been before filled and branded,
 without first causing the former Brand to be cut out, shall forfeit
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double the Value of the Lime so filled or branded, by counterfeit-
ing, or without Leave or Approbation, or without first cutting out
the former Brand ; to be recovered in Manner as aforesaid : One
Moiety to and for the Use of the Prosecutor, and the other to and
for the Use of the Inspector, whose Brand shall be so counterfeited,
or imprinted without Leave, or whose Brand shall be upon the Casks
filled a Second Time as aforesaid, and not cut out.

AND all Magistrates, Judges, Justices of the Peace, and Grand
Jurors within this State, are enjoined to take Notice of all Breaches
of this Act that shall come to their Knowledge.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all
Acts heretofore passed by this Assembly, regulating the Assize of
Lime-Casks, be and they are hereby repealed : And that this Act
shall take Place and be in Force from and after the First Day of
July next.



Report upon
J. Bowles's
Petition.

UPON the Petition of Mr. *John Bowles*, the following Report
was made, to wit :

To the Honorable the General Assembly.

YOUR Committee pray Leave to report, that by the Evidence ac-
companying this Petition it appears, that the said *John Bowles* was
appointed an Ensign, and served as such, in One of the Regiments
of this State, in the Continental Army, from *May, A. D. 1777*, to
the 27th of *December* in the same Year ; that he was absent from
the State at the Time of the Adjustment of the Depreciation Ac-
counts ; and that no Allowance was made him on Account of De-
preciation.

AND your Committee beg Leave further to Report, that upon the
Principles adopted and pursued in the Settlement of the Deprecia-
tion Accounts of the Troops of this State in the Continental Army,
there is due to the said *John Bowles*, for the Depreciation on his
Pay, while he served as aforesaid, *Fourteen Pounds Seventeen Shil-
lings and Six Pence*, Silver Money ; which your Committee are of
Opinion ought to be paid him, with Interest from *January 1st, A. D.*
1781.

Which is humbly submitted by

JEREMIAH OLNEY, } Committee,
JOHN S. DEXTER, }

ON Consideration whereof, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the a-
foregoing Report be accepted ; and that the said *John Bowles*, with
Respect to the said Demand, be placed in the same Situation as Bri-
gadier-General *Cornell*, by a Vote of this Assembly passed at this
Session.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. Commissioner of the Loan-Office of the United States in this State, represented unto this Assembly, that a Number of Certificates of the General-Treasurer of this State have been offered at his Office, in order to be funded, which appear to have been fraudulently obtained, and presented a List of such Certificates: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That the said Representation lye upon the Table of the Lower House for Consideration; and that the said Commissioner be requested to retain those Certificates in his Office until this Assembly shall make further Directions respecting the same.

Vote respecting Certificates fraudulently obtained from the General-Treasurer.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirty Pounds*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Henry Ward*, Esq. on Account of his Services as Secretary, and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

H. Ward allowed £ 30.

WHEREAS a Number of Persons preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that the *Plainfield* North Road was revised and relaid many Years ago, by Reason whereof the Boundaries thereon are so lost that the Inhabitants are uncertain where to work in repairing the same; and prayed this Assembly to appoint a Committee to revise and relay the said Road, and to erect proper Boundaries thereon. On Consideration whereof, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *John Harris*, *Rufus Hopkins* and *Zebedee Hopkins*, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to revise and relay the said Road agreeably to the Prayer of the said Petition.

Com. to revise the *Plainfield* North-Road.

WHEREAS it is represented to this Assembly, that the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *Providence* is too large, and that it is necessary the same should be divided:

First Company in *Providence* divided.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the same be and hereby is divided in the following Manner, to wit: All those belonging to the said Company living between the Lanes, called the *Gaol-Lane* and *Power's Lane*, and Eastward to the East Boundary of the said Town, form One Company, to be denominated the First Company in the said Town; and that all those belonging to the said Company who live Southward of said *Power's Lane* form one Company, to be denominated the Fifth Company in the said Town.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the following Officers be and they are hereby appointed for the said Companies, to wit:

Officers appointed.

George Tillinghast, Lieutenant, and *Jeremiah Howell*, Ensign of the First Company; and *Jeremiah Jenckes*, Captain, *Ezek Dexter*, Lieutenant, and *Eber Coleman*, Ensign of the Fifth Company.



An ACT to prevent Sheep and Lambs from running at large, in the Highways and Commons within the Towns of *Cumberland* and *Tiverton*, and also Goats in the said Town of *Tiverton*.

Act to prevent Sheep, Lambs and Goats, running at large in *Cumberland* and *Tiverton*.

WHEREAS it is represented unto this Assembly, that great Damage is frequently done by suffering Sheep and Lambs to run at large within the Towns of *Cumberland* and *Tiverton*, and Goats in the said Town of *Tiverton*: Wherefore,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That whoever, inhabiting or residing within the said Towns of *Cumberland* and *Tiverton*, shall willingly and knowingly suffer his, her or their Sheep or Lambs, to run at large in the Highways or Commons, within the said Towns of *Cumberland* and *Tiverton*, or their Goats in the said Town of *Tiverton*, at any Time hereafter, between the Tenth Day of *April* and the Tenth Day of *November* in any Year, and be thereof lawfully convicted before any One or more Justice or Justices of the Peace, in either of the said Towns, in which the Offence shall be committed, on the Complaint or Information of any Freeman thereof, he, she or they so offending shall forfeit and pay as a Fine for each and every Offence, the Sum of *Three Pence* for each and every Sheep or Lamb so suffered to run at large as aforesaid, and *Nine Pence*, for every Goat so suffered to run at large as aforesaid in the said Town of *Tiverton*: One Half thereof to and for the Use of the Town where the Offence shall be committed, and the other Half to the Use of him who shall complain and sue for the same. And moreover the Offender or Offenders shall pay Costs of Prosecution and Conviction.



Payment of the Tax postponed.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Payment of the Tax ordered by this Assembly, at the Session in *June* last, be further postponed, until the last *Monday* in *April* next; that in Case of any Deficiency of Payment at that Time, the General-Treasurer issue his Warrants of Distrain: That no Interest be collected from the Individuals until that Time: And that the Secretary publish in the *Newport* and *Providence* Newspapers, the Act of this Assembly passed at the Session held in *May*, A. D. 1785, to prevent the Collectors of Taxes from depreciating the Drafts upon the General-Treasury.

Com. to build a Gaol in *Bristol*, and £ 150 allowed therefor.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, to wit:

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to report the Dimensions of a Gaol, to be built in the County of *Bristol*, do report as our Opinion, that it be built Thirty-six Feet in Front, and Fourteen Feet in Width, with an L. back of the House Fifteen

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teen Feet by Sixteen, for the close Gaol and Entry, and Two Stories high; and that the Rooms be proportioned in such Manner as shall appear most convenient to the Committee which shall be appointed to build the said Gaol.

WHICH is submitted by,

THOMAS ALLIN, } Committee.
ICHABOD COLE, }

ON Consideration whereof, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That *William Bradford, Richard Smith, and Shearjashub Bourn*, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to erect a Gaol in *Bristol*, agreeably to the said Report, if it shall appear to them the most suitable and convenient, or otherwise according to such other Plan as they shall think best; they not exceeding the Dimensions in the said Report mentioned: And that for that Purpose the Sum of *One Hundred and Fifty Pounds*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid to the said Committee, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.



AN ACT further regulating Proceedings in the Superior Court, and Courts of Common Pleas in this State.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize and General-Gaol-Delivery, whenever they shall convene at any of the stated Terms in the County of *Bristol*, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to hear and decide upon all Business that may have been pending before the said Court at any preceding Term, and which was not then finished;— and also to take Cognizance of all Appeals made to the said Court, at any preceding Term, and which shall not have been entered by Reason of the Court's not convening at the Time prescribed by Law: And that the same Proceedings be had in such Appeals, and other Business pending before the said Court, as though the same had been taken up at any preceding Term, and no Interruption had taken Place in the transacting thereof; any Law, Custom or Usage, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Act further regulating the Courts.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Superior Court, in all the Counties in this State, be authorized and empowered to admit Entries of Appeal, when it shall be made to appear to them that either of the Parties shall have caused an Entry of the Appeal to be made on the Docket or Minute-Book
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of the Court of Common Pleas; or shall have given Bond in the Clerk's Office of the said Court of Common Pleas, although Reasons of Appeal shall not have been filed seasonably, and the Steps of the Law regularly pursued; any Law, Custom or Usage, to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Courts of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, in the several Counties in this State, be authorized and empowered in like Manner to receive Appeals in Term Time from Courts of Justices of the Peace, on which the Bonds required by Law shall have been duly given.

IT is Ordered, That the Secretary cause this Act to be published in the Newport Mercury, and in one of the Providence News-Papers.



General-Treasurer to deliver Receipts, &c. to the Com. for settling the Accounts with the United States. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to deliver to either of the Commissioners for settling the Accounts of this State with the United States, all such Receipts for Money expended for carrying on the late War, and other Papers in his Office, necessary for the Adjustment of those Accounts; he reserving Copies of such Receipts and Papers, and taking a Receipt from such Commissioner for the Originals, and a Certificate that such reserved Copies are truly made.*

Petition for dividing Gloucester referred. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition for dividing the Town of Gloucester into Two Towns, be further referred to the next Session of this Assembly; and that in the mean Time the said Town be served with a Copy of the said Petition, and cited then to appear, if they shall think fit, to shew Cause, if any they may have, why the Prayer thereof should not be granted.*

Militia Officers chosen. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That Ichabod Cole, Esq. be, and he is hereby appointed Second Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of Bristol; and Benjamin Wardwell, Captain, Joseph Greene, Lieutenant, and Thomas Church, Ensign, of the Company of Infantry in the Town of Bristol.*

Petition for Bridges over Seaconck River referred. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition for incorporating separately the Two Associations, for building Bridges over Seaconck River, be referred to the next Session: That Peleg Arnold, Thomas Holden, William Bradford, Robert N. Auchmuty, and Nehemiah Knight, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to take into Consideration the Subject Matter of the aforesaid Petition: That they make Report thereon to this Assembly at the next Session; and that in the mean Time a Copy of the said Petition, and of this Resolve*

Resolve be inserted Three Weeks successively in the *Providence* and *Warren* Newspapers.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Two Shillings and Seven Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Rufus Sprague*, late Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Providence*; it being the Amount of his Account for the Board of *Margaret M'Enniff*, a poor Prisoner committed at the Suit of the State, upon Suspicion of Felony, and of her Child; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

R. Sprague
allowed £ 2
2s. 7d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Ten Pounds Three Shillings and Eight Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Nebemiah Knight*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Providence*; it being the Amount of his Account, for Wood and Candles provided for, and Attendance upon the Courts, and this Assembly, &c. and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

N. Knight al-
lowed £ 10
3s. 8d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirteen Shillings and Two-Pence, Half-Penny*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *David Martin*; it being the Amount of his Account for setting Glafs in the State-House at *Providence*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

D. Martin
allowed 13s.
2½d.

WHEREAS this Assembly, on the Application of Debtors, have granted a Term of Time for the Payment of their Debts, and have in certain Cases suspended Proceedings, and no Provision hath been made for the Payment of the Costs which have been recovered against such Debtors: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That upon the Non-payment of such Costs, in all Cases where such Grants have been or shall be made, Executions shall be issued on the Judgment for the Costs; and that the same Proceedings be had as if no such Grant had been made.

Costs to be
paid by
Debtors who
are allowed
Time.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirty Pounds*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Henry Bowen*, on Account; that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the further Consideration of his Account be referred to the next Session.

H. Bowen al-
lowed £ 30.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-five Pounds Four Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to Messrs. *Peter* and *Benjamin Mumford*; it being the Amount of their Account, for the Postage of the Schedules, Proclamations, Commissions and other public Papers, from *June, A. D. 1775* to *June, A. D. 1791*; and that

P. and B. Mumford al-
lowed £ 25
4s.

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the same be paid them, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Grant to J. *UPON* due Consideration of the Petition of Mr. *John Smith*, of *Smith et for-* *Foster*, representing that some Time before the Ninth Day of *Fe-*
feited Mo- *bruary, A. D. 1783*, he lodged in the General-Treasury *Three Thou-*
ney. *sand One Hundred and Seventy Continental Dollars*, which had been before tendered to Mr. *Samuel Knight*, of *Plainfield*; and that he hath since paid the said Debt in another Manner to the full Satisfaction of the said *Samuel Knight*; and praying that the said Money may be restored to him; *It is Voted and Resolved*, that the General-Treasurer pay unto the said *John Smith* the Money by him so lodged in the General-Treasury.

A. Johnson *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *Three Pounds*, Specie Value, be
allowed £ 3. allowed to Mr. *Allen Johnson*; it being the Arrearages of the Pension due to *Jabez Pratt*, as an invalid Soldier, to *January 1st, A. D. 1786*, as appears by a Certificate from the General-Treasurer, assigned to the said *Allen Johnson*, by the said *Jabez Pratt*; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Committee *WHEREAS* the following Memorial was presented to this Assembly,
to adjust the *to wit*:
Claims for
Drawbacks. To the Honorable the General Assembly now sitting in *Providence*.

THE Subscriber most respectfully sheweth, that the Sums due from Merchants in this Town for Duties due on the late Revenue Laws remain unpaid, as stated by me at your last Session. The Merchants have Claims for Drawbacks which your Collector doth not think prudent to allow without your particular Directions. In Order to prevent Law-Suits, I would beg Leave to suggest, whether it would not be adviseable to appoint Three Men, as Arbitrators betwixt Government and the Claimants, to decide what Sums shall or shall not be allowed. Your Directions in this Matter shall be attended to, by

Your most obedient Servant,
EBENEZER THOMPSON, late Collector
of the State Revenue for this Port.

Providence, February 29th, 1792.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the Matters of the foregoing Memorial be referred to the Consideration of *Jeremiah Olney, John S. Dexter* and *William Barton, Esqrs.* and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

AGREEABLY

AGREEABLY to the Report of a Committee, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Three Pounds Ten Shillings and Ten Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Phineas Edwards*, a Deputy-Sheriff for the County of *Washington*, in full Compensation of his Account, for the Service and Expences of himself and Aid, in apprehending and committing to Gaol, *Ezekiel Hall*, who was accused of Horse-stealing; for attending upon his Examination, summoning Witnesses, and other Expences attending the same; and that it be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. P. Edwards allowed £ 3 10s. 10d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Fifteen Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Ray Greene*, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account for Paper, Quills, and Attendance as Clerk of the Lower-House at the present Session; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. R. Greene allowed £ 3 15s

It is Voted and Resolved, That in all Cases where Petitions are pending before this Assembly, praying that Proceedings may be stayed, Proceedings be stayed until the next Session of this Assembly. Resolve respecting Petitions.

It is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be, and the same is hereby referred, to the next Session: That the Secretary publish the Acts and Orders now made and passed, and transmit them to the several Sheriffs in the State, by them to be forwarded to the Town-Clerks in their respective Counties: That this Assembly be adjourned to the First *Tuesday* in *May* next, -if then called; but if not called before nor at that Time, that then this Assembly be, and hereby is dissolved. Adjournment.

GOD save the United States of **AMERICA.**

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED :

WITNESS, *Henry Ward Lee*

February, 1792.

THE Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Washington* being ordered out for public Training, his Excellency the Governor was pleased on the 19th Day of *April*, A. D. 1792, to appoint the undernamed Officers to fill the Vacancies in the Town of *North-Kingstown*, to wit:

Hezekiah Remington, Captain of the First, *James Updike* (Son of *Lodowick*) Captain, and *Lodowick Updike*, jun. Lieutenant of the Third, and *Jonathan Hazard*, Lieutenant of the Fourth Company of Infantry in that Town, who were commissioned accordingly.

WITNESS,

Henry Ward Sney

May 1792.

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At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the First Wednesday in *May*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Two, and in the Sixteenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The H O N O R A B L E

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Esq. Deputy-Governor

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq.	}	Assistants.
PELEG ARNOLD, Esq.		
JAMES ARNOLD, Esq.		
CALEB GARDNER, Esq.		
JAMES CONGDON, Esq.		
THOMAS HOKSIE, Esq.		
THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq.		
JOB WATSON, Esq.		
JOHN HARRIS, Esq.		

The S E C R E T A R Y.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq.*
 Mr. Edward Simmons,
 John Topham, *Esq.*
 Daniel Rogers, *Esq.*
 Mr. Christopher Fowler.

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq.*
 Mr. Charles Lippitt,
 Robert Newell, *Esq.*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, jun. *Esq.*
 Mr. Thomas Potter,
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Alexander Thomas, *Esq.*

WARWICK :

Jonathan Gorton, *Esq.*
 Mr. Moses Arnold,
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
 Mr. Gideon Arnold.

WESTERLY :

Walter White, *Esq.*
 Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. John Sands,
 Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas (Son of Samuel) *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Jonathan J. Hazard, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

James Sweet, *Esq.*
 Hopkins Cooke, *Esq.*

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden.
 Mr. Nicholas Carr.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Smith,
 Mr. Arnold Paine.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq.*

GLOUCESTER :

Seth Hunt, *Esq.*
 Stephen Winfor, *Esq.*

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Benjamin Hoxsie,
 Mr. Amos Greene.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Benjamin Tillinghast, *Esq.*
 Thomas Gorton, *Esq.*

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq.*
 Joseph Rice, *Esq.*

EXETER :

Mr. Christopher Champlin,
 Mr. Isaac Willcox.

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. James Potter,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

William Bradford, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Wardwell.

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee, *Esq.*
 Abraham Barker, *Esq.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

William Richmond, *Esq.*
 John Davis, *Esq.*

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq.*

CUMBERLAND :

Levi Ballou, *Esq.*
 Mr. Jason Newell.

RICHMOND :

Mr. Thomas Lillibridge,
 Mr. Peter Clarke.

CRANSTON :

George Waterman, *Esq.*
 Peter Stone, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*
 William B. King *Esq.*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Elisha Brown, *Esq.*
 Mr. Edward Smith.

BARRINGTON :

Joshua Bicknall, *Esq.*
 Josiah Humphry, jun. *Esq.*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

The Honorable WILLIAM BRADFORD, *Esq.* was chosen Speaker, and
 RAY GREENE, *Esq.* Clerk of the Lower House.

THIS being the Anniversary Election of all Officers both Civil and Military, the Gentlemen whose Names are set down in the subsequent List were chosen to the Offices ascribed to their Names respectively, *to wit* : Officers appointed.

His Excellency *Arthur Fenner*, Esq. Governor. Engaged.

The Hon. *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq. Deputy-Governor. Engaged.

Thomas G. Hazard, Esq. First Assistant. Engaged.

Peleg Arnold, Esq. Second Assistant. Engaged.

James Arnold, Esq. Third Assistant. Engaged.

Caleb Gardner, Esq. Fourth Assistant. Engaged.

John Cooke, Esq. Fifth Assistant.

James Congdon, Esq. Sixth Assistant. Engaged.

Thomas Hoxsie, Esq. Seventh Assistant. Engaged.

Thomas Holden, Esq. Eighth Assistant. Engaged.

Job Watson, Esq. Ninth Assistant. Engaged.

John Harris, Esq. Tenth Assistant. Engaged.

Henry Ward, Esq. Secretary. Engaged.

William Channing, Esq. Attorney-General. Engaged.

Joseph Clarke, Esq. General-Treasurer. Engaged.

Daniel Owen, Esq. Chief

Carder Hazard, Esq. Second

Walter Cooke, Esq. Third

Ezekiel Gardner, jun. Esq. Fourth

Thomas Tillinghast, Esq. Fifth

} Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and throughout the State.

Thomas Freebody, Esq. Chief

Constant Taber, Esq. Second

Oliver Durfee, Esq. Third

Perez Richmond, Esq. Fourth

William Anthony, jun. Esq. Fifth

} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Caleb Harris, Esq. Chief

Abraham Mathewson, Esq. Second

John Burton, jun. Esq. Third

Stephen Steere, Esq. Fourth

John Dorrance, Esq. Fifth

} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Samuel Allen, Esq. Chief

Elkanah Humphrey, Esq. Second

William Barton, Esq. Third

John Howland, Esq. Fourth

Stephen Smith, Esq. Fifth

} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Bristol*.

Stephen Arnold, Esq. Chief

Anthony Low, Esq. Second

Isaac Johnson, Esq. Third

Benjamin Johnson, Esq. Fourth

Stephen Greene (of *East-Greenwich*)

Esq. Fifth

} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

John

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John Grelea, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Newport*.

Samuel Eddy, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Adam Helme, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Washington*.

Jonathan Ruffell, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Bristol*.

Allen Fry, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Thomas Peckham, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

James Fenner, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Stephen Hazard, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Washington*.

Daniel Bradferd, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Bristol*.

Benjamin Howland, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

William Davis, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Newport*.

Nebemias Knight, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Providence*.

Beriah Brown, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Washington*.

Richard Smith, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*.

Jonathan Niles, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Kent*.

Public Notaries to be appointed for each County.

It is Voted and Resolved, That a Public Notary be annually appointed for each of the Counties within this State.

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BOTH Houses being again joined in a Grand Committee, proceeded upon the Election of Officers. Election continued.

John Grelea, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Newport*.
Samuel Chace, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Providence*.
George Thomas, Esq. (Son of *Samuel*) Public Notary for the County of *Washington*.
Shearjashub Bourn, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Bristol*.
Hopkins Cooke, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Kent*.

Justices of the Peace for the several Towns.

Newport :
John Grelea,
Peleg Barker, jun.
Thomas Arnold,
Henry Sherburne,
John Townsend,
William Borden,
John Banister,
Robert Taylor,
William Crooke,
Thomas Peckham,
Edmund T. Ellery,
John Faxon,
Oliver R. Warner,
Christopher Ellery,
Henry Peckham,
 Esquires.

Providence :
Samuel Chace,
Daniel Cooke,
John Mawney,
Samuel Sampson,
Robert Newell,
William Wheaton,
Benjamin Turpin,
James Arnold,
William Thurber,
Nathaniel Wheaton,
David Howell,
William Tyler (the Second),
Daniel Tourtellot,
Samuel Eddy,
James Fenner,
Asher Robins,
Amos M. Atwell,
Samuel Thurber, jun.

James Burrill, jun.
Wheeler Martin,
 Esquires.

Portsmouth :
Tillinghast Almy,
Samuel Peirce, jun.
Henry Lawton,
Samuel Shearman,
 Esquires.

Warwick :
Benjamin Barton,
Ray Greene,
James Jerauld,
Anthony Holden,
Joseph Arnold (Son of Caleb),
Peter Greene,
James Rhodes (Son of Robert),
William Lippitt,
George Arnold,
 Esquires.

Westerly :
Simeon Burdick,
Rowse Babcock,
Samuel Bliven,
Joseph Clarke,
Samuel Brown,
John Sifton,
James Sheffield,
 Esquires.

North-Kingstown :
George Thomas (Son of Samuel)

Daniel Updike,
William Corey,
Benedict Dayton,
William Reynolds,
William Northup,
Oliver Gardner,
Isaac Vaughan,
 Esquires.

South-Kingstown :
John Waite,
Caleb Tefit,
Samuel Curtis,
Daniel Shearman,
Isaac Tanner,
John Seagar,
Adam Helme,
Samuel E. Gardiner,
Samuel Helme,
Barber Peckham,
Samuel Hoxfie,
Eliha R. Gardner,
 Esquires.

East-Greenwich :
Benjamin Howland,
Hopkins Cooke,
George Spencer,
Robert Bailey,
Robert Hall,
Thomas Hall,
William Greene (Son of Eliha) Esquires.

Smithfield :
John Sayles,
Stephen Arnold,
 John

John Man,
John Paine,
Elisha Olney,
Timothy Dean,
Duty Smith,
Arthur Latham,
Esquires.

Glocester :
Zebedee Hopkins,
John Smith (Son of
Benjamin)
Timothy Wilmarth,
Stephen Winfor,
Nathaniel Wade,
Samuel Winfor,
Jesse Winfor,
Seth Hunt,
Richard Steere, jun.
Israel Cooke,
Esquires.

West-Greenwich :
Thomas Tillinghaft,
Samuel Hopkins,
Jonathan Dean,
Levi Whitford,
John Parker,
Ishmael Nichols,
Job Spencer,
Caleb Hall,
Esquires.

Coventry :
William Stone,
Joseph Manchester,
Benjamin Greene,
Job Greene (Son of
Charles)
Joseph Wickes, jun.
Joseph Rice,
Esquires.

Exeter :
Stephen Reynolds,
Christopher Pierce,

Nicholas Gardner
(Son of Ezekiel)
Thomas Albro,
Samuel Gorton,
Stephen Champlin,
Jeffery Hazard,
Esquires.

Middletown :
Joseph Peabody,
Elisha Allen,
Parker Hall,
Esquires.

Bristol :
Daniel Bradford,
John Usher,
Josiah Finney,
Newton Waldron,
Esquires.

Tiverton :
Thomas Durfee,
Lemuel Taber,
Abraham Barker,
Bedford Dennis,
Esquires.

Little-Compton :
Adam Simmons,
Enos Giffard,
Thomas Palmer,
Ezra Chace,
Esquires.

Warren :
William T. Miller,
Benjamin Barton,
Edward Chace,
Samuel Pearce,
Charles Collins,
Esquires.

Richmond :
Thomas Tefft,
James Sheldon,
Jonathan Kinyon,

Edmund Burdick,
George Webb, jun.
Remington Clarke,
James Potter,
Esquires.

Hopkinton :
David Nichols,
Robert Burdick,
Josiah Winter,
Thomas P. Gardner,
Randall Wells,
Daniel Babcock,
Moses Barber,
Abraham Coon,
Esquires.

Johnston :
Abraham Belknap,
Joseph Borden, jun.
Benjamin Kimball,
Caleb Alverfon,
Isaac Fisk,
Esquires.

North-Providence :
Hope Angell,
Esek Esten,
Ezekiel Whipple,
Stephen Abbot,
Esquires.

Barrington :
Josiah Humphrey,
jun.
Moses Tyler,
Joshua Bicknall,
Esquires.

Foster :
William Tyler,
William Greene,
Daniel Howard,
Caleb Potter,
Simeon Seamans,
Joseph Davis,
Esquires

UPON

UPON the Petition of the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *Glocester*, representing that it consists of 120 Soldiers, and cannot be exercised and trained with Convenience; and praying that it may be divided and formed into Two Companies: *Glocester 1st. Company divided.*

IT is Enacted by this General Assembly and by the Authority thereof, That the Prayer of the said Petition be granted; that the said Company be divided in the following Manner, *to wit*: By a Line beginning at *Smithfield* Line, near Colonel *Cbad Brown's*, in the great Country Road, and extending Westward on the said Road as far as *Jeremiah Steere's* House, leaving said *Steere's* House in the North Company, thence continuing straight to *William Coman's* House, leaving the said *Coman's* House in the North Company, thence straight to *Job Steere's* House on the South Road, leaving the said *Steere's* House in the North Company, and thence running up the said South Road to the West Line of the said Company; that all those belonging to the said First Company, living to the Southward of the said dividing Line, shall be denominated the First Company; and that all those who live to the Northward of the said dividing Line shall be denominated the Sixth Company.

WHEREAS the following Report was made to this Assembly, *Johnston Companies divided.*
to wit:

WE the Subscribers being empowered by the Honorable the General Assembly, at the Session held in *February* last, to divide the Two Companies of Infantry in the Town of *Johnston*, do report, that, considering the Number, Distance and Residence of the Individuals composing the said Companies, it will promote and facilitate military Discipline to divide and form them into Four Companies:— That the South Company be divided in the following Manner, *to wit*: By a Line beginning at the West End of the Shop of *John Waterman*, Esq. thence running Southerly to the East End of *Nebemiah Sheldons* House, thence to the West End of *James Mithewson's* House, and from thence to the East End of *Spencer Foster's* House, at *Plainfield* Road; that all the District on the Easterly Side of the said Line of Separation form One Company, to be called the First Company; and that all the District to the Westward of the said Line form One Company, to be called the Third Company: That the North Company be divided as followeth, *to wit*: By a Line beginning at *David Angell's* Shop, standing in or near *Smithfield* Line, thence straight to the Fork of the Road by *Nebemiah Hawkins's* Dwelling-House, and from thence a straight Line to the Bridge just above the Saw Mill of *John Waterman*, Esq. there meeting with the Line of the Two North and South Companies. That all the District lying Westward of the said Line of Separation form One Company, to be called the Second Company:
And

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And that all the District lying Eastward of the said Line form One Company, to be called the Fourth Company.

All which is submitted by

SIMEON THAYER, Brigadier-General,
BENJAMIN ATWOOD, First Major,
PHILIP ARNOLD, Second Major.

Johnston, April 27th, 1792.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Enacted by this General Assembly and by the Authority thereof*, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that the said Companies be divided and formed into Four Companies agreeably thereto.

Senior Class
in Johnston
formed into a
Company.

IT is Enacted by this General Assembly and by the Authority thereof, That all those belonging to the Senior Class in the Town of Johnston, be and they are hereby formed into a Company.

North-Pro-
vidence
Company di-
vided.

WHEREAS the following Report was presented unto this Assembly, *to wit*:

AGREEABLY to the Powers vested in us the Subscribers, Field-Officers of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of Providence, we do report, that we have this Day, with the Approbation of Brigadier-General Thayer, divided the Company of Infantry in the Town of North-Providence into Two Companies, in the following Manner, *to wit*: By a Line, beginning Northerly at Smithfield Line, near Eleazar Whipple's, and thence Southerly, following the Road by Essek Hopkins's to Providence Line; that all those living Westward of the said Line be formed into One Company, to be called the First Company; and that all those living Eastward of the said Line be formed into One Company, to be called the Second Company.

April 30, 1792.

JOHN MAWNEY, Lieut. Col. Com.
PHILIP MARTIN, First Major,
BENNETT WHEELER, Second Major.

Approved,

SIMEON THAYER, Brigadier-General.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Enacted by this Assembly and by the Authority thereof*, That the said Report be accepted; and that the said Company be divided and formed into Two Companies, agreeably thereto.

BOTH Houses being joined in a Grand Committee, proceeded upon the Election:

Thomas Holden, Esq. Major-General of the Militia of the State.

John Malbone, Esq. Brigadier-General of the Militia, in the Counties of Newport and Bristol.

Simeon

Simeon Tbayer, Esq. Brigadier-General of the Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Samuel Seagar, Esq. Brigadier-General of the Militia in the County of *Washington*.

Thomas Gorton, Esq. Brigadier-General of the Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Thomas Arnold, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia, in the County of *Newport*.

John Mawney, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

George Stillman, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Washington*.

Thomas Allen, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Bristol*.

Allen Johnson, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Benjamin Howland, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

William Aldrich, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Charles Dyre, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Washington*.

Joseph Rice, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Joseph Knight, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Third Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Stephen Winsor, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Fourth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Nehemiah Angell, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Fifth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

William Potter, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Sixth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

May 1792.

Alexander Thomas, Esq. First, } Major of the First Regiment of Mi-
Benjamin Brownell, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Newport*.

Philip Martin, Esq. First, } Major of the First Regiment of Mi-
Bennett Wheeler, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Providence*.

Peleg Crofs, Esq. First, } Major of the First Regiment of Mi-
William Rhodes, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Washington*.

Joseph Reynolds, Esq. First, } Major of the Regiment of Militia
Ichabod Cole, Esq. Second, } in the County of *Bristol*.

Thomas Westcott, Esq. First, } Major of the First Regiment of Mi-
Moses Arnold, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Kent*.

John Davis, Esq. First, } Major of the Second Regiment of Mi-
Thomas Durfee, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Newport*.

Amaziah Weatherhead, Esq. 1st, } Major of the Second Reg. of Mi-
Daniel Arnold, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Providence*.

James Gardner, Esq. First Major of the Second Regiment of Militia
in the County of *Washington*.

Joseph James, Esq. First, } Major of the Second Reg. of Mi-
Jonathan Nichols, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Kent*.

Nathaniel Medbury, Esq. First, } Major of the Third Reg. of Mi-
Thomas Relpb, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Providence*.

Henry Wheeler, Esq. First, } Major of the Fourth Reg. of Mi-
Thomas Mitchell, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Providence*.

Francis Fuller, Esq. First, } Major of the Fifth Regiment of Mi-
Hugh Cole, Second, } litia in the County of *Providence*.

Benjamin Atwood, Esq. First, } Major of the Sixth Regiment of Mi-
Philip Arnold, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Providence*.

Joseph Hoyle, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Senior
Class Regiment in the County of *Providence*.

Thomas James, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Se-
nior Class Regiment in the County of *Washington*.

Isaac Johnston, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant of the Se-
nior Class Regiment in the County of *Kent*.

Caleb

Caleb Westcot, Esq. First, } Major of the Senior Class Regiment
Benjamin Fry, Esq. Second, } in the County of *Providence*.

Walter White, Esq. First, } Major of the Senior Class Regiment
Thomas Noyes, Esq. Second, } in the County of *Washington*.

Loring Peck, Esq. First, and *Christopher Manchester*, Esq. Second,
 Major of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Bristol*, and
 Towns of *Tiverton* and *Little-Compton*.

Joseph Arnold (Son of *Caleb*) Esq. First, *Benjamin Gorton*, Esq.
 Second, Major of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Kent*.

Simeon Martin, Esq. Adjutant-General of the Militia of the
 State.

Bennett Wheeler, Esq. Inspector of the Militia of the State.

John Mathewson, Esq. Quarter-Master-General of the Militia of
 the State.

Charles Lippitt, Esq. Commissary-General of the Militia of the
 State.

John Gould, Esq. Physician and Purveyor-General of the Militia
 of the State.

John Carr, Gunner of *Fort Washington*.

Officers to command the several Companies of Infantry, to wit :	
First Regiment in the County of <i>Newport</i> :	First Regiment in the County of <i>Providence</i> :
<i>Portsmouth</i> Company :	Senior Class Company :
<i>John Wilcox</i> , Captain,	<i>Samuel Black</i> , Captain,
<i>Gideon Shearman</i> , Lieutenant,	<i>Afa Franklin</i> , Lieutenant,
<i>Thomas Shearman</i> (Son of <i>Pe-</i> <i>leg</i>) Ensign.	<i>Nathaniel Dana</i> , Ensign.
<i>New-Shoreham</i> Company :	First Company :
<i>Edward Sands</i> , Captain,	<i>Joseph Allen</i> , Captain,
<i>John Pain</i> , Lieutenant,	<i>George Tillinghast</i> , Lieutenant,
<i>John Gorton</i> , Ensign.	<i>Jeremiah B. Howell</i> , Ensign.
<i>Jamestown</i> Company :	Second Company :
<i>John Remington</i> , Captain,	<i>Joshua Linley</i> , Captain,
<i>Peleg Carr</i> , jun. Lieutenant,	<i>Benjamin Andrews</i> , Lieutenant,
<i>Daniel Howland</i> , Ensign.	<i>George R. Burrill</i> , Ensign.
<i>Middletown</i> Company :	Third Company :
<i>Oliver Cornuel</i> , Captain,	<i>Ezekiel Burr</i> , Captain,
<i>Clarke Taggart</i> , Lieutenant,	<i>George Weeden</i> , Lieutenant,
<i>Samuel Peckham</i> , Ensign.	<i>William Snow</i> , Ensign.
	Fourth Company :
	<i>Daniel Proud</i> , Captain,
	<i>Jeremiah</i>

Jeremiah Eddy, Lieutenant,
Calvin Wheaton, Ensign.

Fifth Company :

Jeremiah Jenckes, Captain,
Essek Dexter, Lieutenant,
Eber Coleman, Ensign.

North-Providence :

First Company :

Stephen Abbott, Captain,
Richard Whipple, Lieutenant,
Jenckes Rutenburg, Ensign.

Second Company :

Benjamin Jenckes, Captain,
John Field, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Walker, Ensign.

First Regiment in the County of

Washington :

Westerly :

Senior Class Company :

Henry Wells, Captain,
James Rofs, Lieutenant,
Jonathan Sisson, Ensign.

First Company :

Nathan Pendleton, Captain,
Timothy Chapman, Lieutenant,
Simeon Lewis, Ensign.

Second Company :

Joseph Noyes, jun. Captain,
Arnold Bliven, Lieutenant,
Nicholas Clarke, Ensign.

Third Company :

Samuel Clarke, Captain,
David Maxson, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Stillman, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Cornelius Stetson, Captain,
Thomas Sisson, Lieutenant,
George Clarke, Ensign.

Charlestown :

Senior Class Company :

James Peckham, Captain,
Stephen Stanton, Lieutenant,
Joseph Davis, Ensign.

Hopkinton :

Senior Class Company :

Elnathan Wells, Captain,
Rowland Thurston, Lieutenant,
Jesse Burdick, Ensign.

First Company :

Benjamin Taylor, Captain,

Jeremiah Thurston, Lieutenant,
Thomas Langworthy, Ensign.

Second Company :

James Wells, jun. Captain,
Clarke Wells, Lieutenant,
Clarke Burdick, Ensign.

Third Company :

Benjamin Barber, Captain,
John S. Kinyon, Lieutenant,
Gardner Phillips, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Henry Brightman, Captain,
Phinehas Edwards, Lieutenant,
John Tanner, Ensign.

Regiment in the County of

Bristol :

Bristol Company :

Benjamin Wardwell, Captain,
Joseph Greene, Lieutenant,
Thomas Church, Ensign.

Warren :

First Company :

Joseph Adams, Captain,
Benjamin Cole, Lieutenant,
William Hoar, Ensign,

Second Company :

Joseph Barton, Captain,
Samuel Mason, Lieutenant,
Samuel Bowen, Ensign.

Barrington Company :

Josiah Humphry, jun. Captain,
Samuel Barnes, Lieutenant,
Benjamin Martin, Ensign.

First Regiment in the County of

Kent :

Senior Class Company in *War-*
wick and East-Greenwich :

Thomas Warner, Ensign.

Warwick :

First Company :

Joseph Batty, Captain,
Bennett Low, Lieutenant,
Stephen Holden, Ensign.

Second Company :

James Greene (the 3d) Captain,
Benedick Arnold (the 2d) Lieut.
Joseph Arnold (Son of Joseph)
Ensign.

Third Company :

John Gorton, Captain,

Pardon

Pardon Potter, Lieutenant,
James Greene (the 5th) Ensign.
Second Regiment in the County
of *Newport* :

Tiverton :

Senior Class Company :

Isaac Cooke, Captain,
Pierce Perry, Lieutenant,
Philip Manchester, Ensign.

First Company :

Joseph Baley, Captain,
William Sanford, jun. Lieut.
Benjamin Cooke, Ensign.

Second Company :

James Durfee, Captain.
Isaac Negus, Lieutenant,
William Durfee, Ensign.

Third Company :

Richard Durfee, Captain,
Edward Bayley, Lieutenant,
Jonathan Borden, Ensign.

Little-Compton :

Senior Class Company :

Nathaniel Church, Captain,
Cornelius Briggs, Lieutenant,
Isaac Bayley, Ensign.

First Company :

John Bayley, Captain,
Isaac Simmons, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Simmons, Ensign.

Second Company :

David Hilyard, jun. Captain,
Joseph Pierce, Lieutenant,
Thomas Richmond, Ensign.

Second Regiment in the Coun-
ty of *Providence* :

Smithfield :

Senior Class Company :

Job Mowry, Captain,
George Streeter, Lieutenant,
Richard Sayles, jun. Ensign.

First Company :

Nathan Dexter, Captain,
Abraham Angell, Lieutenant,
Adam Jenckes, Ensign.

Second Company :

Caleb Aldrich, jun. Captain,
Moses Aldrich, Lieutenant,
Arnold Paine, jun. Ensign.

Cumberland :

Senior Class Company :

Benjamin S. Walcott, Captain,
Gilbert Grant, Lieutenant,
Joseph Raze, Ensign.

First Company :

John Walcott, Captain,
Isaac Otis, Lieutenant,
Barney Clarke, Ensign.

Second Company :

William Ballou, Captain,
John Butterworth, Lieutenant,
Baruch Aldrich, Ensign.

Second Regiment in the County
of *Washington* :

North-Kingstown :

Senior Class Company :

Stukely Hill, Captain,
George Tenant, Lieutenant,
George Thomas, jun. Ensign.

First Company :

Benjamin Reynolds, Captain,
Caleb Hill, jun. Lieutenant,
Daniel Fones, Ensign.

Second Company :

Henry Northup (Son of Joseph)
Captain,

Hutchinson Cole, Lieutenant,
Nicholas C. Northup, Ensign.

Third Company :

James Updike (Son of Lodow-
ick) Captain,
Lodowick Updike, jun. Lieut.
Isaac Hall, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Samuel Phillips (Son of Tho-
mas) Captain,

Daniel Congdon, Lieutenant,
Jonathan Hazard, Ensign.

Exeter :

Senior Class Company :

Samuel Bissell, Captain,
Oliver Spinck, Lieutenant,
Ebenezer Wilcox, Ensign.

First Company :

Daniel Sunderlin, jun. Captain,
George Reynolds (Son of Ro-
bert) Lieutenant,
Augustus Sunderlin, Ensign.

Second

Second Company :

Stephen Lewis, Captain,
Jeremiah Pendleton, Lieutenant,
Smith Tanner, Ensign.

Third Company :

Abraham Wilcox, jun. Captain,
Benjamin Lewis, Lieutenant,
Samuel Lewis, Ensign.

Second Regiment in the County
of Kent :*West-Greenwich :*

Senior Class Company :

John Johnson, Captain,
Ezekiel Mathewson, Lieutenant,
Job Herendeen, Ensign.

First Company :

Caleb Carr, Captain,
Henry Davis, Lieutenant,
Karmy Whitford, Ensign.

Second Company :

Silas Baley, Captain,
Joseph Fry, Lieutenant,
Richard Sweet, Ensign.

Third Company :

David Mathewson, jun. Captain,
Hezekiah Gorton, Lieutenant,
John Hazard, Ensign.

Coventry :

Senior Class Company :

Abel Bennett, Captain,
John Greene, Lieutenant,
Jonathan Brayton, Ensign.

First Company :

Rufus Barton, Captain,
James Wood, Lieutenant,
Samuel Johnson, Ensign.

Second Company :

Joseph Wickes, jun. Captain,
Daniel Whitford, Lieutenant,
Joshua Johnson, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

John Colegrove, Captain,
Jonathan Briggs, Lieutenant,
Josiah Gibbs, jun. Ensign.

Third Regiment in the County
of Providence :*Situate :*

Senior Class Company :

Jonathan Smith, Captain,
Samuel Wilbur, Lieutenant,

Daniel Fisk, jun. Ensign.

First Company :

Eliezer Collins, Captain,
Lewis Leach, Lieutenant,
Samuel Kent, Ensign.

Second Company :

Joseph Fenner, Captain,
Stephen Smith (the Third) Lt.
John Potter, jun. Ensign.

Third Company :

Nathan Walker, Captain,
Joseph Carpenter, Lieutenant,
Samuel Wilbur, jun. Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Gideon Harris, Captain,
Resolved Smith, Lieutenant,
Timothy Hopkins, Ensign.

Third Regiment in the County
of Washington :*South-Kingstown :*

Senior Class Company :

William Taylor, Captain,
Gardner W. Mumford, Lieut.
James Cotterell, Ensign.

Second Company :

Robert G. Sands, Captain,
Elisha Potter (Son of Benjamin)
Lieutenant,

William Steadman, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Daniel Shearman, Captain,
Jeremiah Knowles, Lieutenant,
John Gardner, jun. Ensign.

Richmond :

Senior Class Company :

John Woodmansie, Captain,
Benjamin Hoxsie, Lieutenant,
James Potter, Ensign.

Fourth Regiment in the County
of Providence :*Glocester :*

Senior Class Company :

Jonathan Eddy, Captain,
Joſtan Putnam, Lieutenant,
Eliakim Phettriplace, Ensign.

First Company :

Thomas Winsor, Captain,
William Wheeler, Lieutenant,
Benajah Sweet, Ensign.

Second

Second Company :
 Israel Cooke, Captain,
 Asa Ballou, Lieutenant,
 Jesse Cooke, Ensign.
 Third Company :
 Anan Winsor, Captain,
 Jonathan Cowing, Lieutenant,
 Isaac Wade, Ensign.
 Fourth Company :
 Willard Eddy, Captain,
 Pitts Smith, Lieutenant,
 Daniel Sayles, Ensign.
 Fifth Company :
 Edward Greene, Captain,
 Jabez Arnold, Lieutenant,
 Oliver Cornell, Ensign.
 Sixth Company :
 Benedict Burlingame, Captain,
 Essek Brown, Lieutenant,
 James Place, Ensign.
 Fifth Regiment in the County of
Providence :
Foster :
 Senior Class Company :
 John Johnson, Captain,
 Joseph Davis, Lieutenant,
 Samuel Perkins, Ensign.
 Sixth Regiment in the County
 of *Providence :*

Granston .
 Second Company :
 Jonathan Knight, Captain,
 Henry Whitman, Lieutenant,
 Rhodes Fenner, Ensign.
 Third Company :
 Jonathan Sprague, jun. Captain,
 Nathaniel Williams, jun. Lieut.
 Zuriel Waterman, Ensign.
Johnston :
 Senior Class Company :
 Israel Angell, Captain,
 Jonathan Patt, Lieutenant,
 John Viall, Ensign.
 First Company :
 Caleb Williams, Captain,
 Peter Briggs, Lieutenant,
 Joseph Alverson, Ensign.
 Second Company :
 Joshua Kimball, Captain,
 Isaac Winsor, Lieutenant,
 Jeremiah Sheldon, Ensign.
 Third Company :
 Caleb Remington, Captain,
 Albro Cleveland, Lieutenant,
 Samuel Randall, Ensign.
 Fourth Company :
 Valentine Sweet, Captain,
 Robert Thornton, Lieutenant,
 David Waterman, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Company of *Captain-General's Cavaliers*, was made to His Excellency the Governor, who approved the Choice, *to wit :*

Edward Manton, Captain, *Israel Manchester*, First Lieutenant, *Calvin Deane*, Second Lieutenant, *Christopher Knight*, Cornet.

The following Return of the Officers elected by the Company of *Scituate Hunters*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit :*

Benjamin Bofs, jun. Captain, *Elisha Mathewson*, jun. First Lieutenant, *Samuel Fenner*, Second Lieutenant, *Stephen Young*, jun. Ensign.

The following Return of the Officers elected by the *Washington Independent Company*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit :*

Stephens

May 1792.

Stephen Waite, Captain, *Christopher Pierce*, First Lieutenant, *Vinson Gardner*, Second Lieutenant, *Nicholas Gardner* (Son of *William*) Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Company of the *North-Kingstown Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

Beriah Waite, Captain, *Gardner Reynolds*, First Lieutenant, *Beriah Brown* (the Third) Second Lieutenant, *Gardner Browning*, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the *Glocester Light-Infantry* Company, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

Elijah Armstrong, Captain, *Benjamin Hawkins*, First Lieutenant, *Eleazar Harris*, Second Lieutenant, *William Gadcomb*, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the *Governor's Independent Company of Light-Infantry*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

Benjamin Hoppin, Captain, *Peter Taylor*, First Lieutenant, *Robert Taylor*, Second Lieutenant, *Thomas Williams*, Ensign.

The following Return of the Officers elected by the Company of *Smithfield Grenadiers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

Joseph Wilkinson, Captain, *John Jenckes*, jun. First Lieutenant, *William Harris*, Second Lieutenant, *Samuel Thayer*, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Company of *Pawtuxet Rangers*, was made to His Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

Benjamin Arnold, Captain, *Israel Arnold*, First Lieutenant, *Caleb Corps*, Second Lieutenant, *Oliver Paine*, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Company of *Cranston Blues*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

Caleb Williams, Captain, *Joseph Burton*, First Lieutenant, *Pardon Potter*, Second Lieutenant, *Andrew Potter*, Ensign.

Grant to H. Ward £ 30. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *Thirty Pounds*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid, to *Henry Ward*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at

at the established Rate of Exchange, in Compensation in Part for his Services as Secretary; and that he account for the same.

UPON the Petition of *Ebenezer Trask*, of *Smithfield*, representing, that in the Year 1788, he lodged *Seventy-eight Pounds Ten Shillings*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, with *Abraham Mathewson*, Esq. a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Providence*, to discharge a Note due from him to *Solomon Lapham*, of *Glocester*, which being refused was lodged in the General-Treasury, and that he hath since discharged the same in another Manner; and praying that the same may be restored to him: Grant of forfeited Money to *E. Trask*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Ebenezer Trask*, the Money by him lodged as aforesaid.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That an Act passed by this Assembly in the Year 1757, to prevent Horses and Sheep from running at large in the Town of *Providence*, be and hereby is extended to the Town of *North-Providence*; and that the aforesaid Act take Effect and be in Force in the said Town of *North-Providence*, from and after the First Day of *June* next. Act to prevent Horses and Sheep going at large in *N. Providence*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Twelve Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Amos Perry*, formerly a Constable in *Coventry*; it being the Amount of his Account for Services in the Year 1784, in apprehending *Gates*, *Starke*, and others, charged with Criminal Offences; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. A *Perry* allowed £ 1 12s.

THE Committee appointed for that Purpose, presented unto this Assembly, the following Account of Cannon and Stores at *Fort Washington*, in the Township of *Newport*, to wit: Cannon at *Fort Washington* to be mounted, &c.

3 Cannon of 24 lb. each	30 Shot,
5 ditto 18	120 ditto,
2 ditto 6	30 ditto
11 Carriages, 11 Rammers, Worms, and Sponges, 2	
Linstocks, 2 Powder-Horns, 2 priming Wires, 6 lb. of Match Rope,	
4 Handspikes, 20 lb. of Powder, and 4 Cartouch-Boxes: And the	
Condition of the said Fort being taken into Consideration;	

It is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *George Gibbs*, *Peleg Clarke*, and *Caleb Gardner*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to inspect the Cannon at the said Fort, and at the Expence of the State, to mount the same, to furnish suitable Colours for the said Fort, and to purchase a reasonable Quantity of Powder to be made Use of at the said Fort upon special Occasions: And that they exhibit an Account of the Expence thereof to this Assembly.



An ACT to incorporate certain Persons, by the
Name of the *Newport Association of Mechanics
and Manufacturers.*

Charter of
the Mechan-
ics and Ma-
nufacturers
in Newport,

WHEREAS divers Persons have petitioned this Assembly for an Act of Incorporation, whereby they may be enabled to promote certain Purposes herein after mentioned: Therefore,

*BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the said Petitioners, to wit: Benjamin Hall, Samuel Vinson, Samuel C. Carr, Timothy Ingraham, David Melvill, Barber, Nathan Beebe, Anthony Dixon, Henry Mumford, William Prior, Thomas Arnold, William Tripp, James Center, John Pitman, jun. Isaac Manchester, William S. N. Allen, Samuel Watson, George Littlefield, Perry Weaver, Thomas Melvill, jun. Clarke Albro, Daniel Vaughan, Thomas G. Pitman, George Clarke, Godfrey Wenwood, John Greene, Robert Taylor, Samuel Yates, Seth Yates, David Melvill, Pewterer, Nathaniel Brown, Samuel Thurston, William Card, Jonathan Simmons, Abner Taber, Azariah Albro, Jethro Briggs, Joseph Thurston, John Teomans, Israel Horsefield, Samuel Vaughan, Joseph Vickary, Philip Burgis, Jesse Lillibridge, William Tew, John Bull, Joseph Allen, Walter Nichols, William Waite, Samuel Brown, John Jepson, John Weeden, Joseph Cozzens, Jeremiah Weeden, John Sly, Stephen Hawkins, Elisha Smith, Joseph Dyer, Stephen Caboon, jun. Benjamin Hall, jun. George Hall, Thomas Coggeshall, Noah White, John Shaw, Seth Melvill, John Franklin, Latham Thurston, Thomas Stephens, jun. John Williams, John Trevett, William Briggs, Noah Barker, Henry Howland, Edward Stanhope, William Manchester, and Fleet Greene, together with such others as they shall elect from Time to Time, shall be forever hereafter a Body, corporate and politic, in Fact and in Name, by the Name of the *Newport Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers*, for the Purpose of promoting Industry and giving a just Encouragement to Ingenuity, that our own Manufactures may be improved to the general Advantage, not only of the Manufacturers themselves, but of the State at large; and for raising a Fund, by free and voluntary Subscriptions, Contributions, Legacies, Donations, and in such other Manner as is hereinafter mentioned, to be appropriated as the Association may direct, for the Purposes aforesaid. And the said Association is hereby empowered to take, receive and hold all, and any voluntary Subscriptions, Donations, Contributions and Legacies, &c. of any Sum or Sums of Money, or of any real or personal Estate, and also to have, possess and acquire Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or any Goods and Chattles whatsoever, and the same to let, lease, grant, demise, aliene, bargain, sell, convey and dispose of, by Deed or Deeds, under their Seal, at their own Will and Pleasure; and shall and may be Persons capable in Law, as a Body corporate, to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and be answered unto, to defend and be defended against, in all Courts and Places, and*
before

before all proper Judges whatsoever, in all and singular Suit and Suits, Causes and Actions, of what Kind soever, in the fullest and amplest Manner. And if it shall happen, that the said Association shall become seized of Lands and Tenements, by Mortgage, as Security for Payment of any Debt or Debts, or by levying Execution on Lands or Tenements, for discharging any Debt or Debts that shall be due to the said Association, it shall be lawful for them by Deed, under their Seal to sell and convey the Lands and Tenements, acquired by either of the said two mentioned Ways.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be a Meeting of the said Association in the Town of *Newport*, on the First *Monday* in *April*, yearly forever; at which Time, for the better ordering and managing the Affairs of the said Association, they shall out of their own Body, by a Majority of the Members present, by Ballot, elect a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, and a Secretary, and such other Officers as they shall judge necessary; and all Officers chosen as aforesaid shall, before they are qualified to act, be sworn or affirmed to the faithful Performance of their respective Trusts.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Association shall have a common Seal, which it shall be lawful for them to alter, change, break, and make new at Pleasure: and that the said *Newport Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers*, by the Name aforesaid, they and their Successors, shall have perpetual Succession.

AND be it further Enacted, That the aforesaid *Robert Taylor*, be the first President, the aforesaid *William Tripp*, the first Vice-President, the aforesaid *Nathan Beebe*, the first Treasurer, and the aforesaid *Joseph Thurston*, the first Secretary, of the said Association, to continue in their respective Offices until the first *Monday* in *April* next.

AND be it further Enacted, That all Donations to the said Association, by voluntary Subscription, Contribution, Legacy, or otherwise, shall make a Part of, and be put into the capital Stock or Fund of the said Association, to be appropriated as they may direct, for the Purposes aforesaid.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Association, at any of their stated Meetings, shall have and there is hereby granted to them, full Power to elect into their Body, such Persons as they shall judge proper, and to make such Rules, Orders and By-Laws, and to alter the same, as they shall judge needful, for the better Government of the said Association: *Provided*, that such Rules, Orders and By-Laws be not repugnant to the Laws of this State.

AND be it further Enacted, That any Thirteen of the Members (the President, or Vice-President, or Treasurer, or Secretary always
to

to be One) being convened at any regular Time of Meeting, are hereby declared to be a Quorum of the said Association.

AND to the End that the Members of the said Association, and all Contributors thereto, may know the State of their Stock, and the Disposition thereof, *Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That fair Entries shall be made in proper Books for the Purpose, of all Donations, Legacies, Subscriptions, Contributions, &c. made to the said Association, and of all Estates, both real and personal, belonging to them, and of the Income thereof; and also of all their Transactions, either by themselves, or by their Officers, or by their Committees, for and on Account of the said Association; and the said Books shall be brought to each stated Meeting, and shall there be opened for the Perusal and Examination of the Members of the said Association.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Association shall have, and there is hereby granted to them, Power to affix a Sum to be paid on the Admission of any new Member, not exceeding *Three Silver Dollars*, as also the Sum which shall be paid annually by each Member; and to alter the same at Pleasure: *Provided always,* that these Powers shall not be exercised except at an annual Meeting.

AND be it further Enacted, That if ever there shall be a less Number than Thirteen belonging to the said Association, then and in that Case, the said Association shall cease, and the remaining Funds shall be distributed among the Widows and Orphans of those who at the Time of their Decease were Members of the said Association, under the Direction and at the Discretion of the Town-Council of the Town of *Newport*, for the Time being.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested, to sign an Exemplification of this Act, and cause the public Seal to be thereto affixed; whereupon the said Association and their Successors shall be entitled to, and hold and enjoy all the Rights, Privileges and Immunities to them granted and conveyed by this Act.



Grant of forfeited Money to *A. Foster.*

UPON the Petition of *Anthony Foster*, of *Exeter*, representing, that in the Year 1787, he lodged with *Sylvester Gardner*, Esq. One of the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, *Four Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Eight Pence*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Mortgage Deed made by him, and *Mary* his Wife, to *Joshua Vaughan*, of *North-Kingstown*; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since discharged the same in another Manner; and praying that it may be restored to him:

It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Anthony Foster*, the Money by him so lodged.

WHEREAS the following Report was made to this Assembly to wit :

WE being appointed a Committee, by the Honorable General-Assembly, at the Session in *February* last to receive of *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. Commissioner of Loans, the Certificates for the Amount of the old Continental Money loaned by this State in the said Office, and deliver them to *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. for Account of the State do report, that in Pursuance of said Appointment we have received of the said *Jabez Bowen*, and delivered to the said *Joseph Clarke* the Two Certificates described in the annexed Receipt.

Report of
Certificates
taken out of
the Loan-
Office and
delivered to
J. Clarke.

Newport, March
27th, 1792.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
WELCOME ARNOLD,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, } Committee.

AMOUNT of Certificates, the Property of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, delivered to *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. by *Welcome Arnold*, *George Champlin* and *Robert N. Auchmuty*, the Committee appointed by the General Assembly at the Session in *February* last, to receive of *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. Commissioner of Loans, the Certificates for the Amount of the old Continental Money loaned in his Office by this State, to wit :

ONE Certificate No. 575, signed by *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. dated State of *Rhode-Island*, *January* 10th, 1792, payable to *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. or his Assigns, bearing Interest at Six per Cent. from *January* 1st, 1791, amount- *Dolls. Ct.*
ing to 2990 ¤

ONE Certificate No. 552, signed by Ditto, dated *January* 10th, 1792, payable to Ditto, bearing Interest at Six per Cent. from *January* 1st 1801, amounting to 1495

Dollars, 4485 ¤

Newport, 27th March, 1792.

RECEIVED of *Welcome Arnold*, *George Champlin*, and *Robert N. Auchmuty*, the Two above described Certificates, being the Property of the State of *Rhode-Island*, amounting to *Four Thousand Four Hundred and Eighty-five Dollars and One Cent*, which hold in Trust for said State.

JOSEPH CLARKE.

AND the Premises being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be, and the same is hereby accepted; and that the said Receipt be lodged in the Secretary's Office.

Chief Justice
of the Court
of Common
Pleas, to is-
sue Warrants
in Cases of
Bastardy, in
Case.

WHEREAS by the Laws now in Force, no Warrant can be issued in Cases of Bastardy, against a Person charged with being the putative Father of the Child, who lives out of the County wherein the Charge is made, but by an Assistant or a Justice of the Superior Court; and it sometimes happens that neither an Assistant, nor a Justice of the Superior Court, resides in the County wherein the Charge is made, whereby the Citizens of such County are subject to great Inconvenience :

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That in any County where at the Time of any Charge being made against a Person as the putative Father of a bastard Child, which Person so charged shall not live within such County, the Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas in such County, for the Time being shall have and exercise concurrent Power and Authority with any Assistant, or Justice of the Superior Court, in all Matters whatever respecting Cases of Bastardy, agreeably to the Laws in Force respecting Bastardy.

New Order
to issue to J.
Ward and
Co.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Twenty Pounds Nine Shillings and Six Pence, Specie Value, be allowed to Messrs. John Ward and Company, in Lieu of a Grant made to them for that Sum at October Session, A. D. 1790, for which a Certificate was obtained from the Secretary, and which was lost in sending it to Newport for Payment; and that the same be paid them, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; the General-Treasurer making the proper Entry to prevent its being twice paid.

Com. on the
Petition of
B. Tomkins
and J. Chappell.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Col. Jeremiah Olney, and Col. John S. Dexter, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to examine the Matters set forth in the Petition of Benjamin Tomkins and James Chappell, praying for an Allowance as invalid Soldiers; and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

C. Gardner
allowed £ 2
5¹.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Two Pounds Five Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Caleb Gardner, Esq. it being the Amount of his Account for Wood provided for the Superior Court, and Court of Common Pleas, in the County of Washington, and that it be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

R. Adam al-
lowed £ 4
14¹.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds Fourteen Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. Robert Adam, in full Compensation of his Account for a Book for Records, and a Minute-Book delivered for the Use of the Secretary's Office; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings*, Specie Value, *N. Gardner*, be allowed to *Mr. Nicholas Gardner, jun.* a Deputy-Sheriff for the County of *Washington*; it being the Amount of his Account for apprehending divers Persons charged with criminal Offences; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. jun. allowed 18s.



ACT repealing Part of an Act made and passed in *May, A. D. 1779*, entitled, “An Act to prevent the Fish from being obstructed in their Course into *Punchatest*, alias *Nonquit Pond*, and the Branches of the River running into said Pond, lying in *Tiverton*.”

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That so much of the said Act as respects the Inhabitants of the Towns of *Tiverton* and *Little-Compton*, be and the same is hereby repealed: *Provided nevertheless*, that if the Persons owning the Lands adjoining the said Pond, will not grant them Permission to fish on their Shores or Landings without any Let or Molestation, then the said Act shall remain in full Force. An respecting a Fishery in Tiverton.



It is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Ten Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Francis W. Gardner*, a Constable of *Exeter*; it being the Amount of his Account for the Services and Expences of himself and Aid, in apprehending, carrying before a Court of Justices, and committing *Rufus Church*, who was charged with a criminal Offence; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange. F. W. Gardner allowed £2 10s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That all Officers who have not been re-elected, and in whose Stead others have not been appointed, be continued in their respective Offices until the next Session of this Assembly, with the same Power they have at any Time heretofore had. Officers continued.

It is Voted and Resolved, That this Assembly will in the Forenoon of the Third Day of the next Session hear the private Petitions which shall be then pending: Private Petitions to be heard at next Session.

AND that all Persons concerned may have Notice and attend, *It is ordered*, That a Copy of this Resolve be inserted in all the News-Papers published in this State.

B. Card allowed £ 1
16s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Sixteen Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to *Bowen Card*, a Constable of *North-Kingstown*; it being the Amount of his Account for summoning divers Witnesses, respecting One *Thomas Mowry*, who was supposed to have been murdered, and for the safe keeping of One *Andrew Huling*; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

G. Thomas allowed 12s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Twelve Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to *George Thomas*, Esq. (Son of *Samuel*) it being the Amount of his Account for taking Examinations and Depositions concerning *Thomas Mowry*, who was supposed to have been murdered; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Act respecting the
Smithfield
Grenadiers.

THE Petition of the Independent Company, named the *Smithfield Grenadiers*, being duly considered,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said Company may be composed of Persons belonging to the Town of *Cumberland*, who shall be willing to join, and be admitted by the said Company, as well as of Persons belonging to the Town of *Smithfield*.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Company, in any of their Exercisings and Trainings, shall not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Field-Officers of the Regiment of Militia, in whose District they are included, at any other Time than upon Regimental Training Days, and General Muster Days: Any thing in the Act incorporating the said Company, to the contrary notwithstanding.

J. Bowen's
Petition.

WHEREAS *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. represented unto this Assembly, that he hath Certificates from the Secretary's Office, of Grants made to him by this Assembly, for his Salary as Deputy-Governor of the State, and for Money advanced by him, as a Commissioner for running the Line between this State, and the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*; and, that as Commissioner of Loans of the United States, there is Money due from him to *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. for the Interest of Money loaned by the State; and prayed that the said *Joseph Clarke*, may be directed to pay him the Amount of the said Certificates out of the said Interest Money: Which, being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said *Joseph Clarke*, be and he is hereby directed to discount with the said *Jabez Bowen*, so much out of the said Interest Money, as will discharge the said Certificates.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS the following Report was made unto this Assembly,
to wit :

Report of
the Commit-
tee for set-
tling the Ac-
counts of
this State
with the U-
nited States.

To the Honorable General Assembly of the State of *Rhode-Island*,
now sitting at *Newport*, on the First *Wednesday* of *May*. 1792.

THE undersigned Commissioners on the Part of said State, for settling the Accounts with the United States, respectfully represent, That we have completed the Statement of the Accounts against the United States, contained in the Books No. 1, 2, and 3, which is now presented to your Honors ; amounting, with the Interest thereon, to *Five Million, Two Hundred and Fifteen Thousand, Eight Hundred and Forty-five Dollars, and Eighty-seven Cents*, and exhibited the same to the Commissioners of the United States, together with a fair, correct Copy of the Answers made by us, to the Objections that were entered against the Accounts of the State. These we consider will be generally satisfactory to the Board, as they are supported by legislative Acts, or Resolutions of the Council of War ; those we have left with the Board for their Inspection, to prove the Truth of our Answers made to their Objections.

UPON the Examination into the Accounts we found a great Deficiency of Vouchers in support of the Advances made by the State to the Union, in Specie, old Continental Money, new Emission Money and Indents, which was paid by the General-Treasurer ; and we were confirmed in this Fact from the Statement of this State's Accounts which we obtained of the Register of the Treasury of the United States ; by them it appears that we have Credit on the Books of the Treasury of the United States for several large Sums of Money we have paid the Union, that we had no Documents to prove. We therefore determined not to enter any Part of the Charges in the Accounts which we exhibited to the Board, but to make them out from the Documents we could obtain from the State Treasurer's Office, and transmit them to the Board at Philadelphia ; this they agreed to, as will appear by the Report made at the Foot of the Account which we presented them.

WE have endeavoured by every Means in our Power to make such Answers to the Objections entered against our Accounts, as would give the most ample Satisfaction to the Board, and substantiate the Charges, and from the Candour and Impartiality which we have experienced from them, flatter ourselves that they will generally be acknowledged as fully answerable to our Wishes.

We are your Honour's most obedient Servants,

HENRY SHERBURN,
JONATHAN J. HAZARD.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and hereby is accepted.

Interest al-
lowed on
Teamsters'
Certificates,
and Impost
Orders.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Holders of the Certificates issued by the General-Treasurer, in Satisfaction of those issued by Mr. *Edward Chinn*, for the Teaming Service, and also the Holders of Orders granted for the Interest of Loan-Office Certificates, and of the State Securities, on the Collectors of Impost, be allowed Interest for such Certificates and Orders from their respective Dates; to be paid them by the Commissioner of Loans of the United States within this State, whenever Provision shall be made for the Payment thereof by the Congress of the United States.

No new
Commissions
to issue to
Officers re-
chosen.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That all Officers re-chosen at the present Session, and all hereafter re-chosen by the General-Assembly, under the same Governor who commissioned them, shall take the Engagements prescribed by Law, every Time they shall be so re-chosen; which shall be certified upon their respective Commissions by the Officer administering the same; and that thereupon they shall be and hereby are authorized and empowered to take and discharge their Offices, as fully as if new Commissions had been issued. Any Law, Custom or Usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

It is Ordered, That a Copy of this Act be inserted in all the News-Papers published in the State.

J. Manning's
Account
£.91 10s.7d.
allowed
thereon.

WHEREAS the following State of the Account of the late *James Manning*, and Report thereon, was presented unto this Assembly, to wit:

The State of <i>Rhode-Island</i> in Account with <i>James Manning</i> , Dr.	
1786. } To my Services as Delegate in Congress,	
July 27, } from April 27th, to this Day, being 91	
1788. } Days at 24s. Specie, per Day,	£ 109 4 0
Oct. 28. } To Ditto, from July 27th, to this Day,	
	being 94 Days, at Ditto,
	112 16 0
	<hr/>
	£ 222 0 0

Creditor.

1786. By Cash delivered me by General <i>Nathan</i>	
July. <i>Miller</i> ,	£ 22 10 0
By 750 Dollars in Facilities, also delivered	
me by him, which, after paying Brokerage	
and Discount for Exchange, amounted to	41 6
1787. By a Grant made by the General Assembly,	
June 16. of £ 400 Paper Money, which, at 6 for 1,	
is equal to,	66 13 4
Balance due to <i>James Manning</i> ,	91 10 8
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	£ 222 0 0
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Newport,

Newport, May 4th, 1792.

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, we have examined the Account of the late *James Manning*, deceased, with the State, and beg Leave to report, that we find a Balance due to his Estate, of *Ninety-one Pounds Ten Shillings and Eight Pence*, Specie, agreeably to the preceding Statement.

Which is submitted by,

WELCOME ARNOLD,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, } Committee.

AND the Premises being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that *Ninety-one Pounds Ten Shillings and Eight Pence*, being the Balance therein mentioned, be paid to *Margaret Manning*, Administratrix of the Estate of the said *James Manning*, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Sixty Pounds*, Specie Value, be allowed to his Excellency *Arthur Fenner*, Esq. for his Services as Governor of this State the Year past; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Governor allowed £60

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirty-seven Pounds Ten Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to the Honorable *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq. for his Services as Deputy-Governor of this State the Year past; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

Deputy-Governor allowed £37 10s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Peleg Arnold*, Esq. be and he is hereby added to the Committee appointed by this Assembly, at the Session in February last, to regulate the Affairs of the *Narragansett* Tribe of *Indians* in this State; and that the major Part of the Committee be empowered to act.

P. Arnold added to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

UPON the Petition of Mr. *David Martin*, representing that he purchased of *Samuel Bennett*, late a Soldier in Col. *Greene's* Regiment, the Certificate for his Depreciation Money; and praying that the General-Treasurer may be directed to give him a Note therefor:

General-Treasurer to issue a Note for S. Bennett's Depreciation.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed, to give his Note to the said *David Martin*, for *Eleven Pounds Twelve Shillings and Five Pence*, Specie, being the Sum certified to be due to the said *Samuel Bennett*, together with the Interest due thereon, agreeably to the Act allowing Interest upon the Depreciation Money due to the Officers and Soldiers.

WHEREAS

J. Hopkins
restored to
his Privi-
leges.

WHEREAS *Jephthab Hopkins*, of *Foster*, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that in the Year 1783, he was convicted of a criminal Offence, which deprived him of certain Rights and Privileges, and that he is now settled in the World, and firmly resolved to conduct himself in future, as an honest Man and a good Citizen, and prayed to be restored to his Rights and Privileges: And several of his Neighbours of respectable Characters, having recommended him and joined in the Prayer of his Petition: On due due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Jephthab Hopkins* be, and he is hereby restored to all his former Rights and Privileges as fully as though he had not been convicted of any Crime.

J. J. Hazard's
Account, and
he allowed
£ 182 4s.

WHEREAS *Jonathan J. Hazard*, Esq. presented unto this Assembly, an Account for his Services and Expences, as One of the Commissioners for settling the Accounts of this State against the United States, consisting of many particular Charges, of which the following is a Summary, *to wit*:

The State of <i>Rhode-Island</i> to <i>Jonathan J. Hazard</i> , Dr.		
To 265 Days Service, at 24s. Specie per Day,	£ 318	0 0
To Cash paid for transporting Books and Papers,	0	8 0
To Ditto, paid for a Table and for Stationary,	0	18 0
To Ditto, paid to <i>Spencer Taylor</i> as Clerk,	4	10 0
To Ditto, paid Half of <i>William Mumford's</i> Bill as Clerk,	6	18 0
	<hr/> £ 330 14 0 <hr/>	

Creditor.

By Cash received of the General-Treasurer,	£ 148	10 0
Balance due to <i>Jonathan J. Hazard</i> ,	182	4 0
	<hr/> £ 330 14 0 <hr/>	

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Account be allowed, and that the Balance thereof, being *One Hundred and Eighty-two Pounds Four Shillings*, be paid to the said *Jonathan J. Hazard*, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

H. Sherburne's
Account, and
he allowed
£. 162. 10s.
6d.

WHEREAS *Henry Sherburne*, Esq. presented unto this Assembly, an Account for his Services and Expences, as One of the Commissioners for settling the Accounts of this State against the United States, consisting of many particular Charges, of which the following is a Summary, *to wit*:

The

The State of <i>Rhode-Island, &c.</i> to <i>Henry Sherburne, Dr.</i>		
To 232 Days Service, at 24s. Specie, per Day,	£ 278	8 0
To Cash paid for the Transportation and Portage of the Books and Papers, and for a Box to put them in,		1 0 9
To Ditto, paid for Stationary,		0 18 9
To Ditto, paid for Wood,		4 13 0
To Ditto, paid <i>William Mumford</i> for Half the Amount of his Bill as Clerk,		6 18 0
To Ditto, paid for the Hire of a Room for an Office,		5 12 0
	£ 297	10 6

Creditor.

By Cash received of the General-Treasurer,	£ 135	0 0
Balance due to <i>H. Sherburne</i> ,		162 10 6
	£ 297	10 6

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Account be allowed; and that *One Hundred and Sixty-two Pounds Ten Shillings and Six Pence*, being the Balance thereof, be paid the said *Henry Sherburne*, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Eleven Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Ray Greene, Esq.* it being the Amount of his Account, for Paper, Quills and Attendance, as Clerk of the Lower-House, at the present Session; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

R. Green allowed £ 2 11s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Ten Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Mr. Thomas Tew*; it being the Amount of his Account for a green Cloth, &c. provided for the Council-Chamber, at the present Session; and that the same be paid him, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

T. Tew allowed 10s. 6d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Two Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid to *Mr. Thomas Melvill*; it being the Amount of his Account for a Load of Sand for the State-House, a green Cloth for the Deputies' Room, &c. provided by him at the present Session; and that the same be paid, out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange.

T. Melvill allowed £ 1 2s. 6d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Sitting of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, for the County of

H

Providence,

Court of Common Pleas in

May 1792.

Providence *Providence*, which by Law was to have been held on the Third
Courty post- *Monday* in *June* next, be postponed to the Fourth *Monday* in the
poned. same Month: That Actions be commenced to the said Court to be
then holden, and Declarations and Answers filed within the Time
prescribed by Law; and that Executions returnable at the stated
Term be then returned.

IT is Ordered, That this Resolve be published in the *Providence*
News-Papers.

Proceedings *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That all Proceedings in the Courts of
in Case of Law be stayed, where prayed for by Petitions pending before this
Petitions Assembly.
stayed.

Adjourn- *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That all Business lying before this
ment. Assembly unfinished, be referred to the next Session: That the
Acts and Resolutions now made and passed, be published and trans-
mitted to the Sheriffs of the several Counties for the Town-Clerks
in their respective Counties: And that this Assembly be, and here-
by is adjourned to the Third *Monday* in *June* next, then to meet at
the State-House in *Newport*.

GOD save the United States of **AMERICA**.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED:

WITNESS,

Henry Ward Lee

PROVIDENCE: PRINTED BY BENNETT WHEELER.

June, 1792.

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At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island* and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden by Adjournment at *Newport*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the Third *Monday* of *June*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-two, and in the Sixteenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

His EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The HONOURABLE

Samuel J. Potter, Esq; Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq;
PELEG ARNOLD, Esq;
JAMES ARNOLD, Esq;
CALEB GARDNER, Esq;
JOHN COOKE, Esq; *
JAMES CONGDON, Esq;
THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq;
THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq;
JOB WATSON, Esq;
JOHN HARRIS, Esq;

Assistants.

The S E C R E T A R Y.

* *John Cooke*, Esq; who at the General Election was chosen Fifth Assistant, appeared and was engaged,

D E P U T I E S

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

The Honourable WILLIAM BRADFORD, Esq; Speaker.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq;*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq;*
 Mr. Edward Simmons,
 John Topham, *Esq;*
 Daniel Rogers, *Esq;*
 Mr. Christopher Fowler.

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq;*
 Mr. Charles Lippitt,
 Robert Newell, *Esq;*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *jun. Esq;*
 Mr. Thomas Potter,
 Mr. Samuel Elam.

WARWICK :

Jonathan Gorton, *Esq;*
 Mr. Moses Arnold,
 Anthony Holden, *Esq;*

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq;*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq;*
 George Thomas (*son of Sam.*) *Esq;*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Jonathan J. Hazard, *Esq;*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq;*

EAST-GREENWICH :

None.

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden,
 Mr. Nicholas Carr.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Smith,
 Mr. Arnold Paine.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq;*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq;*

GLOCESTER :

Seth Hunt, *Esq;*
 Stephen Winfor, *Esq;*

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Benjamin Hoxsie, *jun.*

Mr. Amos Greene.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Benjamin Tillinghast, *Esq;*
 Thomas Gorton, *Esq;*

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq;*
 John Rice, *Esq;*

EXETER :

Mr. Christopher Champlin,
 Mr. Isaac Wilcox.

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. James Potter,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

Mr. Speaker.

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee, *Esq;*
 Abraham Barker, *Esq;*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

John Davis, *Esq;*

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq;*

CUMBERLAND :

Levi Ballou, *Esq;*
 Mr. Jason Newell.

RICHMOND :

Mr. Thomas Lillibridge.

CRANSTON :

George Waterman, *Esq;*
 Peter Stone, *Esq;*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq;*
 Mr. Moses Barber

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq;*
 William B. King, *Esq;*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Elisha Brown, *Esq;*
 Mr. Edward Smith.

BARRINGTON :

Joshua Bicknall, *Esq;*
 Josiah Humphry, *jun. Esq;*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq;*

RAY GREENE, *Esq;* Clerk of the Lower House.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, named the *Coventry Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* : Officers of the
Coventry Ran-
gers.

John McGregor, Captain ; *Job Greene*, First Lieutenant ; *William Waterman*, Second Lieutenant ; *Bernard Mathewson*, Ensign.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Nine Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to Mr. *Daniel Jackson* ; it being the Amount of his Account for repairing the Press for affixing the State Seal ; and that the same be paid him out of the General-Treasury in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, D. Jackson
allowed 9s.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jesse Baker* lost a Boat, employed in the public Service in the last War, estimated at *Six Pounds Ten Shillings*, Specie Value ; and the Committee, appointed to take an Account of the Boats so lost, did by Mistake report the same as the Property of *John Baker* : Therefore, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Sum be allowed and paid to the said *Jesse Baker* out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange. J. Baker al-
lowed £ 6
10s.

UPON the Petition of Mr. *David Buffum*, praying this Assembly to grant to him and Company the Use of the South Half Part of the Cellar under the State-House in *Newport*, to carry on the Manufacture of Cotton : Grant of the
State-House
Cellar, in
Newport, to
D. Buffum &
Company.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Petition be granted ; and that the same be appropriated to their Use for the Purpose aforesaid, until this Assembly shall otherwise direct.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Duncan Kelley*, the Proprietor of the Ferry on the East Side of the Town of *Barrington*, upon the Post-Road from *Newport* to *Boston*, be permitted to extend and continue a Warp from Posts erected upon the opposite Sides of the said River, for the greater Convenience of transporting Passengers, without Molestation from any Person or Persons whosoever : *Provided nevertheless, and* Warp allow-
ed to be
stretched
across Kelley's
Ferry.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That whenever any Boat or Vessel shall pass or repass through the said Passage, the said Warp shall be doused, so that such Boat or Vessel may pass without any Obstruction.

THE following Return of the Officers, elected by the Independent Company, named the *Kingslon Reds*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* : Officers of the
Kingslon Reds.

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John Waite, Captain; *Gardner Telft*, First Lieutenant; *Samuel Eldred*, Second Lieutenant; *William C. Clarke*, Ensign.

Officers of the Federal Pro-
tectors. THE following Return of the Officers, elected by the Independent Company, named the *Federal Protectors*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approved the Choice, to wit:

Zenus Winsor, Captain; *Joab Mathewson*, First Lieutenant; *Peleg Peck*, Second Lieutenant; *Job Aldrich*, jun. Ensign.

Grant of forfeited Money to *I. Pearce*. UPON the Petition of Mr. *Israel Pearce*, representing that he lodged with *Robert Stanton*, Esq; a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, Sixty Pounds, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Debt due to *Paul Mumford*, Esq; which being refused, was deposited in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since paid the said Debt, in another Manner; and praying that the said Money may be restored to him:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Israel Pearce*, the Money by the said *Robert Stanton* actually deposited, to pay the Debt aforesaid.

E. Gardner, jun. allowed £ 14 2s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Fourteen Pounds Two Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to *Ezekiel Gardner*, jun. Esq; in full Compensation for his Services, in attending Forty-seven Days as one of the Justices of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. and that the same be paid him, either in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

P. Bradford allowed £ 1 8s. 6d. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That One Pound Eight Shillings and Sixpence, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Perez Bradford*; it being the Amount of his Account, for making Keys for and repairing the Locks in the State-House at *Providence*; and that the same be paid him out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Grant of forfeited Money to *J. Brown*. UPON the Petition of Mr. *Josiah Brown*, representing that, in September, A. D. 1786, he lodged with *Thomas Gorton*, Esq; then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Kent*, Thirty Pounds, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Mortgage made by *Amos Hall*, to *Pardon Tillinghast*, Esq; of *West-Greenwich*; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since discharged the said Mortgage in another Manner; and praying that the said Money may be restored to him.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Josiah Brown*, the Money by the said *Thomas Gorton* actually deposited for the Purpose aforesaid.

IT

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Fifteen Pounds Eighteen Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to *Thomas Tillinghast*, Esq; one of the Justices of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. in full Compensation for his attending Fifty-three Days at the said Court; and that the same be paid him out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

T. Tillinghast
allowed £ 15
18 s.

WHEREAS the following Account and Report were presented unto this Assembly, *to wit*:

R. Crooke al-
lowed £ 50
10 s.

The State of *Rhode-Island* to *Robert Crooke*, Collector of Excise, Dr.

1783.	}	To <i>John Hadwen</i> , Half a Ream of Paper,	£	0	15	0
April.		To <i>Henry Barber</i> —printing 8 Quires of Blanks, and Advertisements,		1	11	0
		To Col. <i>Talbot</i> —Half a Ream of good Paper,		0	18	0
		To Major <i>Handy</i> —One Month as an Assistant in the Office,		9	0	0
		To <i>William Bradford</i> , Esq; for his Attendance and Service in an Action against <i>Thomas</i> <i>Greene</i> , on Account of a Seizure,		7	4	0
		To Cash paid the Jury in said Case,		0	18	0
		To Office-Rent Two Months,		1	10	0
		To Three Books for the Office,		4	4	0
		To my Service Three Months,		40	10	0
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			£	66	10	0

Creditor.

1783. By Cash received for 120 Bonds,	£ 6 0 0
Balance due to <i>Robert Crooke</i> ,	60 10 0
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£ 66 10 0	
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WE the Subscribers being appointed by the Honourable the Lower House of the General Assembly, at the Session in *February* last, a Committee to examine and adjust the foregoing Account, beg Leave to report, that we have carefully examined and compared the same with the Vouchers; and that there is and hath been due to Mr. *Robert Crooke* thereon the Sum of *Sixty Pounds Ten Shillings*, in Specie, from *August 1, 1783*.

PELEG CLARKE, } Committee.
JOHN TOPHAM, }

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be accepted, with a Deduction of *Ten Pounds* from the Charge

Charge made for his Services : That *Fifty Pounds Ten Shillings*, being the Balance due, together with Interest on *Twenty Pounds* of that Sum, from 1783, be allowed, in full Compensation of the said Account to the said *Robert Crooke* ; and that the same be paid out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Fourth Com- WHEREAS the following Report was made to this Assembly, to
pany in Pro- wit :
vidence divid-
ed.

THE Subscribers, Field Officers of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*, agreeably to the Act of the General Assembly passed in *February* last, have this Day, after due Consideration, and with the Approbation of Brigadier-General *Thayer*, proceeded to divide the Fourth Company in the Town of *Providence* in the following Manner, to wit : By a Line to be drawn to intersect the Fork of the Road, where *Westminster-Street* and *Higb-Street* meet, North and South, Northierly, until it strikes the Cove above the Town, and Southerly to the *Cranston* Line, or strikes the River : That all on the East Side of the said Line be denominated the Fourth Company ; and that all on the West Side of the said Line be denominated the Sixth Company. This Division will complete the First Regiment to the Establishment directed by the Act of Congress.

All which is submitted by

	JOHN MAWNEY, Lieut. Col. Commandant,
Approved,	PHILIP MARTIN, First Major,
SIMEON THAYER.	BENNETT WHEELER, Second Major.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be accepted ; and that the said Fourth Company be divided and formed into Two Companies, agreeably thereto.

Lottery granted to P. Allen. UPON the Petition of *Pardon Allen*, of *Exeter*, in the County of *Washington*, Housewright, praying that a Lottery may be granted him to raise the Sum of *Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars*, in Specie, for the Purpose of erecting suitable Works on a Stream of Water running through his Land, for manufacturing Nails of all Sorts ; and that *Jonathan Dean*, and *Benjamin Tillinghast*, Esquires, both of *East-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, and *Pardon Tillinghast*, of *Exeter*, afore-said, Esq; may be appointed Directors of the said Lottery, with Power to set forth the same agreeably to such Scheme as they shall think most suitable :

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Petition be and the same is hereby granted, upon Condition that the said Directors give Bond to the General-Treasurer, in such Sum as he shall think sufficient, for the faithful Performance of the Trust reposed

posed in them ; and that no Expence accrue to the State, in Consequence of the said Lottery being granted.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Forty-six Pounds Four Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed to Walter Cooke, Esq; in full Compensation for his Attendance as one of the Justices at the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. from September, A. D. 1789, to April, 1792, both inclusive, One Hundred and Fifty-four Days ; and that the same be paid him out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

UPON the Petition of *Israel Shaw*, representing that he lodged with *William Richmond*, Esq; then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Newport*, the Sum of *Seventy-two Pounds*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note due from him to *Lydia Bailey*, of *Tiverton*, Widow ; which being refused, hath been deposited in the General-Treasury ; and that he hath since paid the said Note in Specie ; and praying that the same may be restored to him :

W. Cooke allowed £. 46 4 1/2
Grant of forfeited Money to *I. Shaw*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Petition be granted ; and that the General-Treasurer pay to the said Israel Shaw the Money actually lodged by the said William Richmond, for the Purpose aforesaid.

WHEREAS the following Report was presented to this Assembly, to wit :

Report upon *W. Ellery's* Petition.

WE the Subscribers, to whom the Petition of *William Ellery*, Esq; preferred at the Session of the Honourable the General Assembly held in *February* last, was referred, beg Leave to report, that, on Examination into the Allegations therein contained, we find, that, in Pursuance of an Act of the General Assembly, passed at *June* Session, 1784, an Order issued in Favour of the said *Ellery* for *One Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds Sixteen Shillings*, Lawful Money, being the Balance found due to him as Delegate to Congress, with Interest until the said Balance should be paid, which was lodged in the General-Treasurer's Office, and there lost : That several Payments have been made thereon ; and that thereupon we are of Opinion a new Order should issue in Favour of the said *William Ellery*, of the same Tenor and Date with that which is lost.

WE also find, that, through the Intervention of Mr. *George Gibbs*, Messieurs *Hewes* and *Anthony* advanced a Sum of Money to the Petitioner, when Delegate to Congress : That an Order for *Seventy five Pounds* was issued in Favour of Mr. *Gibbs*, as a Security to him for his Intervention : That, by Conversation with Mr. *Gibbs*, we find he was never possessed of the said Order : That in the said *William Ellery's* Account, exhibited to the General Assembly at *February* Session, A. D.

1786,

June, 1792.

1786, the said Order was passed to the Credit of the State : That upon inspecting an Account of *Hewes* and *Anthony*, shewn to us by the said *William Ellery*, we find he hath paid them the Sum advanced, with compound Interest ; and that Interest is allowed to the said *William Ellery* upon the Orders issued in his Favour as a Delegate :

We therefore are of Opinion, that the said Order for *Seventy-five Pounds* should be cancelled ; and that an Order of the same Date should issue in the Name of the said *William Ellery* for that Sum, payable with Interest from *October* Session, A. D. 1785, the Time when the said Sum of *Seventy-five Pounds* was ordered to be paid out of the General-Treasury.

PELEG CLARKE,
FRANCIS BRINLEY, } Committee.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and is hereby accepted ; and that the General-Treasurer pay the said *William Ellery* the said Sums upon the Principles therein set forth.

Act that
Notes do not
issue from
the Treasury
repealed.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Act of this Assembly, passed at *February* Session, A. D. 1791, prohibiting the General-Treasurer from issuing any Notes as Treasurer of this State be annulled ; and that he be and hereby is empowered to issue Notes, in Conformity to any Act or Resolution of this Assembly heretofore passed, excepting Notes upon Certificates from the Secretary's Office, for the Depreciation or Wages of the late Continental Troops, issued before the present Session.

Committee
respecting
fraudulent
Certificates.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Benjamin Bourn*, and *William Channing*, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to consider the Subject of the Certificates fraudulently obtained, and Securities forged against the State ; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

Officers
elected.

BOTH Houses being joined in a Grand Committee, chose the following Gentlemen to the Offices ascribed to them respectively, *to wit* :

Sylvester Gardner, Esq; Chief
Robert Potter, Esq; Second
Robert Stanton, Esq; Third
John Allen, Esq; Fourth
Daniel Sunderlin, Esq; Fifth

Justice of the Court of Common
Pleas and General Sessions of the
Peace within and for the County
of *Washington*.

JUSTICES of the PEACE for the several Towns.

PROVIDENCE :
George Tillinghast, Esq; in
Addition.

PORTSMOUTH :
Gideon Dennis,
Giles Lawton jun. Esquires, in
Addition.

WARWICK :

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Samuel Gorton (*the Third, Esq;*)
in Addition.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN:

Christopher Gardner,
Slocum Hall, *Esquires, in Addition.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN:

Cyrus French, *Esq; in the Room of*
Elisha R. Gardner, *Esq; who*
declined.

SCITUATE:

John Harris,
Daniel Westcott,
Job Randall,
Simeon Arnold,
Stephen Harris,
Elihu Fisk, *Esquires.*

CHARLESTOWN:

Peleg Cross,
Jonathan Macomber,
Ichabod Burdick,
William Kinyon, *Esquires.*

COVENTRY:

Charles Comstock, *Esq; in Addition.*

EXETER:

Lillibridge Barber,
Jonathan Reynolds, *jun. Esquires,*
in Addition.

CUMBERLAND:

Levi Ballou,
John S. Dexter,
Nathaniel Shepardon,
Simon Wilkinfon,
Elijah Brown,
Amaziah Weatherhead,
Jotham Carpenter, *Esquires.*

RICHMOND:

Jesse Larkin, *Esq; in Addition.*

CRANSTON:

William Warner,
John Rice Arnold,
John A. Burton,
Joseph Aborn,
Jeremiah Randall,
Caleb Williams,
Philip Arnold,
Ezekiel Searle, *Esquires.*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE:

Hope Angell,
Ezekiel Whipple,
Caleb Jenckes,
Stephen Abbot,
Stephen Jenckes, *jun. Esquires.*

JOHNSTON:

Cyrus Harris, *Esq; in Addition.*

BARRINGTON:

Solomon Townsend, *jun. Esq; in*
Addition.

Military Officers, to wit:

Stephen Abbot, *Esq;* Second Major of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of Providence.

Abraham Wilcox, *jun. Esq;* Second Major of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of Washington.

Frederick Gardner, *Esq;* Lieut. Colonel Commandant of the Third Regiment of Militia in the County of Washington.

Elisha R. Gardner, *Esq;* First, }
George James, *Esq;* Second, } Major of the same Regiment.

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OFFICERS

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OFFICERS to command several Companies of Infantry, to wit:

PROVIDENCE :

*Sixth Company,*Jabez Olney, *Capt.*Thomas Williams, *Lieut.*Robert Durfee, *Ensign.*Portsmouth and Middletown *Senior Class Company.*John Earle, *Capt.*William Lawton, *Lieut.*Walter Cornell, *Ensign.*Warwick and East-Greenwich *Senior Class Company.*Robert Rhodes, *Capt.*Hopkins Cooke, *Lieut.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

*Senior Class Company,*Samuel Stanton, *Capt.*Daniel Tefft, *Lieut.*Isaac Sheldon, *Ensign.**First Company,*Augustus Babcock, *Capt.*John Greenman, *Lieut.*Joseph S. Gould, *Ensign.**Second Company,*William Steadman, *Capt.*Jesse Robinson, *Lieut.*Robert Hazard (*Son of Joseph*) *Ensign.**Third Company,*John Weeden, *Capt.*Palmer Shearman, *Lieut.*John Brown (*Son of Robert*) *Ensign.**Fourth Company,*John Waton (*the Third*) *Capt.*John L. Gardner, *Lieut.*John Gardner (*the Fifth*) *Ensign.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

*First Company,*Micah Whitmarsh, *Capt.*Stephen Arnold, *Lieut.*Caleb Andrews, *Ensign.**Second Company,*William Gardner, *Capt.*John Spencer, *Lieut.*John Place, *Ensign.*

SMITHFIELD :

Obed Seaver, *Capt.*Andrew Waterman, *jun. Lieut.*Nathaniel Mowry, *Ensign.*

BRISTOL County :

*Senior Class Company,*Matthew Allen, *Capt.*Benjamin Bosworth (*the Second*) *Lieut.*Nathan Bardin, *Ensign.*

CHARLESTOWN :

*First Company,*Ethan Crandall, *Capt.*Braddock Peckham, *Lieut.*Samuel Stanton (*the Second*) *Ensign.**Second Company,*William Card, *Capt.*William Kinyon (*Son of Joseph*) *Lieut.*Joseph Holway, *Ensign.*

WEST-GREENWICH :

*First Company,*Karmy Whitford, *Lieut.*Ebenezer Hopkins, *Ensign.*

COVENTRY :

*Third Company,*Benjamin Greene, *Capt.*Thomas Philips, *Lieut.*Jesse King, *Ensign.*

EXETER :

*Third Company,*Benjamin Lewis, *Capt.*Samuel Lewis, *Lieut.*

RICHMOND :

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Edward Lillibridge (*Son of Thomas*) *Capt.*
Hezekiah Tefft, *Lieut.*
Silas Kinyon, *Ensign.*

CRANSTON :
Senior Class Company,
John Burton, *jun. Capt.*
William Burton, *Lieut.*
Elisha Carpenter, *Ensign.*

First Company,
Uriah Westcott, *Capt.*
Pardon Sheldon, *Lieut.*
Stephen Hudson, *Ensign.*

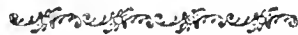
FOSTER :
Senior Class Company,
Isaac Blanchard, *Capt. in the Room*
of J. Johnson, who declined.

First Company,
Thomas Parker, *jun. Capt.*
George Baker, *jun. Lieut.*
Southward Griffith, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Simeon Seamans, *Capt.*
Stephen Davis, *Lieut.*
William Davis, *Ensign.*

Third Company,
Abraham Phillips, *Capt.*
Asher Bennett, *Lieut.*
Nathaniel Stone, *Ensign.*

Fourth Company,
Levi Rounds, *Capt.*
Jafon Pray, *Lieut.*
Bertram Rounds, *Ensign.*



An A C T to incorporate certain Persons into a military Body or Company of Cavalry, by the Name of the *Washington Cavalry*, in the County of *Washington*, in this State

WHEREAS divers Persons have petitioned this Assembly for Charter for an Act of Incorporation, whereby they may be enabled to the *Washington Cavalry*. manifest their Friendship and Attachment to their Country, and to promote certain Purposes herein after mentioned : Therefore.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That John Gardiner, Rowland Brown, Henry Potter, Samuel Helme, Samuel E. Gardiner, Robert Potter, jun. Christy Potter, John Segar, Adam Helme, Jonathan Hazard, jun. John Potter, jun. Peter B. Hazard, Jeremiah N. Sands, Griffin Hazard, Jeremiah N. Potter, Francis Hazard, Robert G. Sands, Richard W. Hazard, William Perry, Nicholas Hazard, Nathaniel Mumford, Thomas H. Hazard, John Gardiner, jun. and Gideon Hazard, together with such others as they shall from Time to Time elect and receive, shall be a Body corporate and politic, in Fact and Name, by the Name of the *Washington Cavalry*, and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession,

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sion, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights, Powers and Privileges, in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

AND be it further Enacted, That there shall be a Meeting of the said Body corporate, at any Place that may be agreed on by them in the said County of *Washington*, on the last *Monday* in *April* yearly and every Year, at which Time, for the ordering and managing of the Affairs of the said Company, they shall, out of their own Body politic, by the Votes of a Majority of the Members present, elect a Captain, Two Lieutenants, and a Cornet, and such other Officers as they shall judge needful; and that there shall be a Meeting of the said Body corporate at other Times, when and where they shall think needful and fit.

AND be it further Enacted, That a Majority of the said Body, present at any of their Meetings, may elect and receive into the said Company such Persons as shall offer, who belong to and reside within the said County of *Washington*, and none others; and no Person, applying as aforesaid, shall be received but by a Majority of the Members present; and the said Body corporate, at any of their stated annual Meetings, provided there be Twenty-one Members present, shall have Power by Majority to discharge and expel any of their Members whom they shall deem worthy of Discharge, by Application, for Misdemeanor or otherwise.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Body shall not elect into their Company more than Sixty-six Rank and File, which is the greatest Number (exclusive of Officers) the Body or Company shall contain at any one Time: Provided there should Vacancies happen, they shall have Right to fill such Vacancies by Election in Manner as aforesaid: And that a Meeting of Thirteen, of any of the Members of the said Body, shall be a Quorum to transact Business; but no Meeting of said Body, where less than Thirteen Members are present, shall be a Quorum as aforesaid.

AND be it further Enacted, That the aforesaid *John Gardiner* be the Captain; the aforesaid *Rowland Brown*, the First Lieutenant; the aforesaid *Henry Potter*, the Second Lieutenant; and the aforesaid *Samuel E. Gardiner*, the Cornet of the said Company; to continue in their respective Offices until the last *Monday* in *April* next: That the said Officers shall be of the Court-Martials and Councils of War in the Regiment in whose District they live; and shall be commissioned and engaged in the same Manner as other military Officers in this State are,

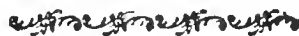
AND be it further Enacted, That the said Company of Cavalry shall have Liberty to meet and exercise upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders and Directions of the Colonel or other Field Officers of the Regiment

ment in whose District they live, in such Meetings and Exercisings, and that they be obliged to meet, for exercising, at least once in each Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, *to wit*: the Captain, for each Day's Neglect, *Thirty Shillings*, Lawful Money; the Lieutenants, each *Fifteen Shillings*, Lawful Money; the Cornet, *Ten Shillings*, Lawful Money; the non-commissioned Officers and Privates, each *Six Shillings*, Lawful Money; to be collected by Warrant of Distress, directed to the Clerk, from the Captain or other superior Officer

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Company shall, at their own Expence, equip themselves with suitable Cloathing, Arms and other Accoutrements, that may be agreed on by them at any of their Meetings as aforesaid; and the said Company shall be exercised, and otherwise regulated, according to the Manner prescribed by this State, or the United States.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Company or Body corporate, and every Member thereof, so long as they continue to comply with and perform the Duties and Regulations required and particularized in this Act, and are not discharged or expelled from the said Company, shall be exempted from Militia Duty, and all other military Service, except the Duty required and mentioned in this Act.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Company, or Body corporate, shall have, and there is hereby granted unto them, at any of their stated Meetings, full Power to make such Rules, Orders and By-Laws, and to alter the same, as they shall judge needful for the better regulating of the said Company: *Provided*, that such Rules, Orders and By-Laws, be not repugnant to the Laws of this State, or of the United States, or the Design of this Corporation.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That in future the Freemen of the several Towns in this State be and they are hereby authorized and empowered, at any Town-Meeting legally assembled, to elect and choose such Number of Assessors of Rates and Taxes as may be deemed necessary: *Provided*, that the Number be not less than Three, nor more than Thirteen, in any Town. Any Law, Custom or Usage, to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.



WHEREAS it is represented to this Assembly, that *Moses* Bridge granted over *Seacoonk* River, at the Upper *Obadiab* Ferry.
Brown, Nicholas Brown, Hope Brown, Lemuel Wyatt, William Allen, Nathan Waterman, Hannah Cushman. Nathan Angell, William Almy,

Obadiab Brown (Son of Moses) William Daggett, Jonathan Congdon, Joshua Congdon, Nathan Angell, jun. Knight Dexter, Thomas Carpenter, Ephraim Bowen, jun. Seril Dodge, Jabez Bowen, David Howell, Barzillai Bowen, Edward Knowles, Alexis Teste, Thomas P. Ives, Abner Daggett, Darius Sessions, and Nathaniel Cushing, have subscribed a Sum of Money for the Purpose of erecting a Toll-Bridge over the River between Providence and Rehoboth, at the Upper Ferry-Place; and a Petition hath been preferred for an Act to incorporate the said Stockholders, for the Purpose of erecting the said Bridge: And whereas Bridges over large Rivers have been found much more commodious than Ferries.

B E it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the said Subscribers, their Successors and Assigns, shall be and are hereby created a Corporation and Body politic, by the Name of The Proprietors of the Central Bridge, leading to and from Providence; and by that Name shall be and are hereby made able and capable in Law, as a Body corporate, to have, purchase, possess and enjoy, to themselves, their Successors and Assigns, Lands not exceeding Ten Acres, Tenements, Rents, Tolls and Effects, of what Kind or Nature soever; and the same to sell, grant and dispose of, by Deed or Deeds, at their own Will and Pleasure; to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended against, in all Courts of Record, and before all proper Judges whatsoever, in all Causes of whatsoever Name or Nature; and to ordain, establish, and put in Execution, such By-Laws, Ordinances and Regulations, as shall seem necessary and convenient for the Government of the said Corporation, not being contrary to Law: And generally to do and execute all and singular Acts, Matters and Things, which to them may appertain, in Relation to the erecting, securing, maintaining, promoting and keeping up, the Bridge aforesaid as a Toll-Bridge; in which Bridge a convenient Draw, Twenty-four Feet wide, is to be at all Times maintained, so that Vessels may freely pass and repass in the said River, without Expence. And the said Proprietors shall cause the Person who may attend for the Purpose of collecting their Toll, who shall be an able-bodied Man, to aid and assist in raising the said Draw, for the Purpose of Vessels passing, and in lowering the same.

A N D be it further Enacted and Declared, That there be a Meeting of the said Corporation on the First Monday of August next at said Providence, and so on annually on the First Monday of August, for the Choice of a President, Treasurer and Secretary, and to transact other Business; and that a Majority of Shares, the Proprietors voting by themselves, Agents or Proxies, duly appointed, shall decide in the Choice of all Officers, and the Transaction of all other Business which may come before the Society: That the Secretary for the Time being call a Meeting of the Proprietors, on the Request of any Seven Members,

bers, Holders of Seven Shares, by Notice set up at the Bridge, or such other public Notice as he may think best.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Toll for passing on the said Bridge, which shall be received by the said Proprietors or their Agents, shall not at any Time hereafter exceed the Ferriages at the said Place, now established by Law.

PROVIDED nevertheless, and be it further Enacted, That whenever the said Toll shall amount in Value to all Costs, Charges and Expences, in the erecting and keeping in Repair the same Bridge, with Interest thereon, together with such reasonable Allowance as, in the Opinion of this Assembly, the said Proprietors shall be entitled to, for the Advances that shall have been by them made for the Purpose aforesaid, and for the Risque of their Property in said Bridge, the said Toll be subject to be regulated by this Assembly.

AND to ascertain the Produce of said Toll, Be it further Enacted, That a fair Account thereof be kept by the said Proprietors, and be open to the Inspection of any Committee or Committees, who shall be appointed by this Assembly to inspect the same; and that a regular Account of the Expenditures be also rendered to such Committee or Committees.



An A C T to incorporate certain Persons, herein after mentioned, by the Name of *The Providence South-Bridge Society*, in the Town of *Providence*.

WH E R E A S it is represented unto this Assembly, that *John Brown, Nicholas Brown, Welcome Arnold, Joseph Nightingale, John Innes Clark*, and others their Associates, have subscribed a Sum of Money, payable at the Bank of *Providence*, for the Purpose of erecting a Toll-Bridge over the River, between said *Providence* and *Rehoboth*, at or near the Place commonly called *Tockwotton Point*, or *Ful-ler's Ferry*, at the South End of said *Providence*; and a Petition hath been preferred for an Act to incorporate the said Stockholders, for the erecting said Bridge: And whereas Bridges over large Rivers have been found much more commodious than Ferries:

Bridge grant-
ed over Sea-
cock River,
at the Lower
Ferry.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the said Subscribers, their Associates, Successors and Assigns, shall be forever hereafter a Body corporate and politic, in Fact and Name, by the Name of The Providence South-Bridge Society, in the Town of Providence; and by that Name shall be
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and are hereby made able and capable in Law, as a Body corporate, to have, purchase, possess and enjoy, to themselves, their Successors and Assigns, Lands not exceeding Ten Acres, Rents, Tenements, Toll and Effects, of what Kind or Nature soever, and the same to grant, sell and dispose of, by Deed or Deeds, at their own Will and Pleasure; to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and be answered unto, to defend and be defended against, in all Courts of Record, and before all proper Judges whatsoever, in all and singular Suits, Causes or Actions, of what Kind soever; to make, establish and put in Execution, such By-Laws, Ordinances and Regulations, as shall be deemed necessary and convenient for the Government of the said Society: *Provided*, that the same are not repugnant to Law: And generally to execute and do all and singular Acts, Matters and Things, which to them may appertain in Relation to the erecting, securing, maintaining, promoting and keeping up the Bridge aforesaid over the said River, as a Toll-Bridge; they the said Society ever keeping and maintaining a convenient Draw in the said Bridge, not less than Twenty-four Feet wide, for the Passage of Vessels, without Expence. And the said Proprietors shall cause the Person who may attend for the Purpose of collecting the Toll, who shall be an able-bodied Man, to aid and assist in raising the said Draw, for the Purpose of Vessels passing, and in lowering the same.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be a Meeting of the said Corporation, in the said Town of *Providence*, on the First *Monday* of *August* next, and so on annually on every First *Monday* in *August*; at which said annual Meeting, for the better ordering and managing the Affairs of the said Society, they shall, out of their own Body, by a Majority of Shares then present, elect a President, Treasurer and Secretary, and such other Officers as they shall judge necessary.

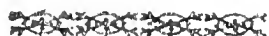
BE it further Enacted, That the said Society be empowered to meet at such other Times and Places, than the aforesaid annual Meeting, as they may deem necessary: That the Secretary thereof, at the Request of any Seven Members, Holders of Seven Shares, shall call a Meeting of said Society; and that, in every Meeting of said Society, the Vote shall be determined by a Majority of Shares, the Proprietors voting by themselves, Agents or Proxies, duly appointed.

AND be it further Enacted, That the Toll to be exacted, for the passing the said Bridge, shall at no Time exceed the present Rate of Ferriage, established by Law, for the Ferry at or near which the said Bridge is to be erected.

PROVIDED nevertheless, and be it further Enacted, That whenever the said Toll shall amount in Value to all Costs, Charges and Expences, in the erecting and keeping in Repair the same Bridge, with Interest thereon, together with such reasonable Allowance as in the

the Opinion of this Assembly the said Proprietors shall be entitled to, for the Advances that shall have been by them made for the Purpose aforesaid, and for the Risque of their Property in said Bridge, the said Toll shall be subject to be regulated by this Assembly.

AND to ascertain the Produce of said Toll, *Be it further Enacted*, That a fair Account thereof be kept by the said Proprietors, and be open to the Inspection of any Committee or Committees who shall be appointed by this Assembly to inspect the same: And that a regular Account of the Expenditures be also rendered to such Committee or Committees.



It is Voted and Resolved, That One Hundred and Twenty Pounds, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to the Committee appointed to build the Gaol in the County of *Washington*, for completing the same: That it be paid either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the said Committee account therefor to this Assembly. Grant for
Washington
Gaol, £ 120.

It is Voted and Resolved, That One Hundred Pounds, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, to the Committee appointed to build the Gaol in the County of *Bristol*, for carrying on the said Building; and that the said Committee account therefor to this Assembly. Grant for
Bristol Gaol,
£ 100.

WHEREAS *Stephen Whipple*, of *Smithfield*, Administrator of the personal Estate of *Thomas Herrington*, deceased, late a Soldier in *Col. Olney's* Continental Battalion, represented to this Assembly, that, as Administrator as aforesaid, he received a Certificate from the Secretary, that there was due to the said *Thomas Herrington* Twenty-three Pounds, in Specie, for which the General-Treasurer was directed to give his Note, payable on Demand, with compound Interest, from *January 1, A. D. 1782*; and that by some Accident he hath lost the said Certificate, without having obtained the said Note: And it appearing to this Assembly that the said Representation is true: Grant to S.
Whipple.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby empowered and directed to issue his Note, payable to the said *Stephen Whipple*, as Administrator as aforesaid, in the same Manner he might have done upon the original Certificate aforesaid.

WHEREAS there was due to *Joseph Bosworth*, deceased, late a Soldier in *Col. Angell's* Continental Battalion, Seventeen Pounds Eight Shillings Grant to J.
Bosworth's
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and tives.

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and Twopence, Specie, for the Depreciation of his Wages, for which no Certificate hath been issued: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby empowered and directed, to give his Note to the Administrator of the Estate of the said *Joseph Bosworth*, for the said Sum, payable on Demand, with Interest from the First Day of *December*, A. D. 1783, agreeably to the Act of this Assembly providing for the Payment of the Money due to the Continental Troops for Depreciation.

R. Rodman
allowed £ 16
9 s. 1 d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Sixteen Pounds Nine Shillings and One Penny*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to Mr. *Robert Rodman*, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Cloathing provided for, and boarding *Mingo Rodman*, late a Soldier in Col. *Greene's* Continental Battalion, now a State Pauper, from the Tenth Day of *October* last to the Eleventh of *June* inst. and for Expences in his Sickness.

Grant to the
Representa-
tives of B.
King.

WHEREAS there was due to *Benjamin King*, deceased, late a Soldier in Col. *Greene's* Continental Battalion, *Two Pounds Nine Shillings and One Penny*, Specie, for the Depreciation of his Wages, for which no Certificate hath been issued: *It is therefore Voted and Resolved*, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to give his Note to the Administrator of the Estate of the said *Benjamin King*, for the said Sum, payable on Demand, with Interest from the First Day of *December*, A. D. 1783, agreeably to the Act of this Assembly providing for the Payment of the Money due for Depreciation to the Continental Troops.



An A C T amending an Act, made and passed at *February* Session, A. D. 1792, entitled, "An Act regulating the Assize of Lime-Casks, and the Inspection of Lime."

Act respect-
ing Lime-
Casks.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That from and after the First Day of *August* next, every Half Hogshead of Lime shall be of the following Dimensions, to wit: Thirty Inches in Length between the Heads, Twenty Inches and an Half in Diameter at the Heads, and of sufficient Bulge to contain Fifty Gallons; any Thing in the aforesaid Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall be the Duty of every Person exporting Stone-Lime, previous to the
Export-

Exportation thereof, to make and produce his Certificate to the Collector of the District in which it shall be exported, that the same hath been inspected and branded agreeably to Law.

It is Ordered, That this Act be published in the *Newport and Providence News-Papers*.



It is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of a Number of the Citizens of the Town of *Newport*, for Liberty to erect a Bridge from *Rhode-Island* to *Tiverton*, at *Howland's Ferry*, be referred to the next Session of this Assembly, for Consideration

Petition for a Bridge over Howland's Ferry referred.

WHEREAS the following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit* :

Report upon the Plainfield Road.

WE the Subscribers, being appointed by the Honourable the General Assembly, at the Session held in *June* last, a Committee, to examine and consider of the Advantage and Usefulness of altering the Road leading from *Providence* to *Plainfield*, in *Connecticut*, through *Caleb Vaughan's Land*, in *Coventry*, so as to make a strait Road from the great Chestnut Tree, mentioned in the Petition for altering the said Road, to *Warwick-Brook*, so called, beg Leave to report, that, in Obedience to our Appointment, we met and viewed the Road as it now runs, and also the Place where it must run agreeably to the said Petition, and find the Difference between the said Roads will be about Sixty-four Rods : That it appears to us there will be about the same Ascent in the new as in the old Road : That to lay a new Road, fence it, and put it in as good Order as the old, cannot be done at a less Expence than *One Thousand Dollars* in Specie ; and that it will greatly injure the said *Caleb Vaughan*, by cutting his Land to the Westward of his House into very disagreeable Divisions, leaving one of them without Water. It is therefore our Judgment, that it is not necessary to lay a new Road at this Time, nor to make any Alterations at the Expence of the State. All which is submitted, by

BENJAMIN GREENE,
JONATHAN COMSTOCK, } Committee.
BENJAMIN HOWLAND,

Coventry, August 16, 1791.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and hereby is accepted.

Be it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the Honourable *Samuel J. Potter, Esq;* *Jonathan J. Hazard*, and *Rowland Brown, Esquires*, be and they are hereby appointed

Committee to limit Wash- ington Goul- Yard.

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appointed a Committee, and fully empowered, to assign proper Limits for the new Gaol-Yard in the County of *Washington*, at their Discretion; and that the Limits by them assigned and ascertained shall be and hereby are established as the legal Limits of the said Gaol-Yard.

Committee to
relay a Road
in *Smithfield*.

WHAT follows being laid before this Assembly, to wit:

“ *At a Town-Council held in Smithfield, in the County of Providence, on the 16th of June, A. D. 1792.*

“ THE Report of a Committee, appointed by this Council, to en-
“ quire whether any Surveys had been made of the Highway through
“ the Town of *Smithfield*, from the North Line adjoining the Town
“ of *Mendon*, to the Line of *North-Providence*, was presented to and
“ accepted by this Council: Which Report states, that Surveys of
“ said Highway are to be found Part of said Way, which was laid
“ by the Town of *Providence*: That for a considerable Distance no
“ Survey is to be found, although, from the best Information that
“ can be obtained, a Survey was formerly made of a Highway con-
“ siderably wider than it is now fenced.

“ THIS Council, taking the foregoing into Consideration, recom-
“ mend to the Honourable General Assembly, to appoint a Coun-
“ mittee to lay and relay said Highway, either agreeably to the
“ former Surveys, or in such other Place or Places as will best ac-
“ commodate the Public.

“ *Signed by Order and in Behalf of said Town-Council,*
Per DANIEL MOWRY, the 3d, Council-Clerk.”

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That Messieurs *Moses Brown, Daniel Anthony*, and *Zephaniah Andrews*, be, and they, or the major Part of them, are hereby appointed a Committee, and fully empowered, to lay out the said Highway agreeably to the foregoing Recommendation; provided that the same be done without any Expence to the State; and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Committee to
audit the
Treasurer's
Accounts.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs *George Champlin, Robert N. Auchmuty, Christopher Fowler*, and *Henry Sberburne*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of the General-Treasurer with the State; and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Alterations in
the Charter
of the *Cran-
ston Blues*.

UPON the Petition of the independent Company named the *Cranston Blues*, praying for Alterations in their Charter,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Company be composed of the Inhabitants of the Towns of *Cranston* and *Johnston* only: That upon all general Reviews and general Musters, the said Company shall rank

rank the First independent Company in the Sixth Regiment in the County of *Providence*; and that the Officers of the said Company shall be of the Courts-Martial and Councils of War in the said Regiment: Any Thing in the Charter heretofore granted to the said Company to the contrary notwithstanding.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-eight Pounds Sixteen Shillings*, *J. Carr* allowed *£ 28* Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to *Mr. John Carr*, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by ^{16 s.} this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Pay-Abstract for Wages, as Gunner of *Fort-Washington*, and for the Wages of an Oarsman, from *May 8, A. D. 1791, to May 8, A. D. 1792.*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Messieurs Welcome Arnold, Nicholas Easton, and Edward Smith*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to make such Repairs to the Gaol in the County of *Providence* as they shall think necessary, not exceeding *Thirty Pounds*, Specie Value; and that they be empowered to draw that Sum out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the said Committee be empowered to extend the Liberties of the said Gaol, so far as they shall think Propriety and Humanity require: That the Limits by them marked out shall be the Limits of the Yard of the said Gaol, until the Meeting of this Assembly in *October* next; and that the said Committee do at that Session render an Account, and make Report.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Five Pounds Nine Shillings and Seven Pence Three Farthings*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to *Mr. Thomas Tew*, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Newport*, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for the Maintenance and Prison Fees of *Stephen Pettis*, a poor Prisoner committed at the Suit of the State, and for white-washing and cleansing the said Gaol throughout.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of the *Providence Association of Mechanics and Manufacturers*, praying that the Inspection Law may be extended to several Articles, by them enumerated, be referred to *Messieurs George Champlin, Welcome Arnold, and John S. Dexter*; who are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and consider the Matters contained therein, and requested to make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.



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WHEREAS

Charter to
the *Johnston*
Rangers.

WHEREAS the Preservation of this State, as well as of other States, depends, under the Protection of God, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: And whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of the Towns of *Johnston* and *Cranston*, to wit: *Nebemiah Hawkins, Robert Thornton, John McDonald, Christopher Brown, Joseph Mathewson, Benjamins Mathewson, Esck Olney, Benjamin Winsor, Samuel Weston, Asa Palmer, Henry Waterman, Christopher Wilkinson, Nathaniel Thatcher, Philip Mathewson, Seth Tripp, jun. James Sweet, John Brown, jun. Oliver Saunders, Nedeiah Hammond, Stephen Waterman, Obadiab Brown, Resolved Waterman, Lawton Newell, Elisha Waterman, Olney Goffe, Benjamin Kimball, jun. Benjamin Brown, Solomon Thornton, jun. Benjamin Smith, Laban Keech, Joseph Sprague, Jeremiah Ladd, Joseph Dyer, Joseph Harris, Thomas Mowry, Elijah Day, Pardon Brown, James Brown, Jesse Steere, William Thornton, David Comstock, Charles Stewart, and Benjamin Waterman*, of the Sixth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*, have offered themselves to begin, and, with such others as shall be added to them, to form themselves into a Company, by the Name of the *Johnston Rangers*; and by their humble Petition prayed this Assembly to grant them a Charter, with such Privileges and under such Restrictions as this Assembly should think proper: Wherefore this Assembly, in order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design.

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and graht, that they the Petitioners, together with such others as shall be added to them, not exceeding the Number of Sixty-four, exclusive of Officers, be and they are hereby declared to be an independent Company, by the Name of the *Johnston Rangers*; and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and have and enjoy all the Rights and Privileges in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IMPRIMIS. It is granted to the said Company, that they, or the greater Part of them, shall and may once in every Year, that is to say, on the Third *Monday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together in some convenient Place by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, to wit: One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign, and all such other Officers as shall be necessary for training, disciplining, and well ordering the said Company; at which Election no Officer shall or may be chosen, but by the greater Number of Voters then present: The Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being, and commissioned and engaged in the same Manner as other military Officers in this State.

SECONDLY. The said Company shall meet for exercising at least Four Times in a Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, to wit: the Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, for every Day's Neglect, *Twenty Shillings*, Lawful Money, each; the Clerk, Serjeants and Corporals, *Six Shillings*, Lawful

ful Money, each; and each Private, *Three Shillings*, Lawful Money; to be levied by Warrant of Distress from the Captain or other superior Officer of the said Company for the Time being, directed to either of the Serjeants. And furthermore the said Company shall have Liberty to meet together and exercise themselves upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary; and not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Colonel or other Field Officers of the Regiment in whose District they belong or live, in such Meeting and Exercising: And that upon all Field Days, and public Trainings, the said Company shall hold their Rank and Station upon the Left of the Regiment in whose District they are included; and upon such Occasions shall be subject to the Orders of the Field Officers of the Regiment.

THIRDLY. The said Company, or the greater Part of them, shall have Power to make such Rules, Regulations and Orders, among themselves, as they may think necessary to promote the End of the Establishment; and to impose such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of the said Company, for the Breach of any such Rules, Regulations or Orders, as they shall think proper, so that the same do not exceed *Twelve Shillings*, Lawful Money, for any Offence; which Fines and Forfeitures shall be collected and levied by a Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or other superior Officer of the said Company for the Time being, directed to either of the Serjeants.

FOURTHLY. All those who shall be duly enlisted into the said Company, as long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing any military Duty in the several Companies or trained Bands, in whose District they respectively live or belong.

FIFTHLY. The commissioned Officers of the said Company shall from Time to Time be of the Courts-Martial and Councils of War in the Regiment in whose District they live or belong.

SIXTHLY. If any Officer of the said Company shall be disapproved of by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of said Company, or shall be taken away by Death, then in either of those Cases the Captain of the said Company, or other superior Officer for the Time being, shall call the said Company together as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another or others in the Room and Stead of such Officer or Officers so disapproved, removed, or taken away by Death; in the Manner herein before directed.

SEVENTHLY. The said Company in Time of an Invasion, or in case of an Alarm, shall be under the immediate Direction of the Captain-General of the State, and the Officers shall be commissioned accordingly.

It is Voted and Resolved, at the Request of the Petitioners, that *Nebemiah Hawkins* be appointed Captain; *Robert Thornton*, First Lieutenant; *John McDonald*, Second Lieutenant; and *Christopher Brown*, Ensign of the said Company.

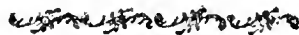


J. Richards allowed £ 2 9s. 6d. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Two Pounds Nine Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to Mr. *John Richards*, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending upon this Assembly at the present and the last Session, as a Waiter.

T. Melvill allowed £ 2 9s. 6d. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Two Pounds Nine Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to Mr. *Thomas Melvill*, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending upon this Assembly at the present and last Session, as a Waiter.

J. Bliven allowed £ 2 9s. 6d. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Two Pounds Nine Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to Mr. *James Bliven*, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending upon this Assembly at the last and present Session, as a Waiter.

T. Tew allowed £ 2 9s. 6d. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Two Pounds Nine Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, to Mr. *Thomas Tew*; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending upon this Assembly at the last and present Session, as a Waiter.



Charter to the
Glocester Gre-
nadiers.

WH E R E A S the Preservation of this State, as well as of other States, depends, under the Protection of God, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: And whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Glocester*, in the Fourth Regiment in the County of *Providence*, now commanded by Col. *Stephen Winsor*, to wit: *Joktan Putnam*, *Elisha Mitchell*, *Amaziah Harris*, *Thomas Steere*, *Elisha Brown* (Son of David) *Stephen Cooke*, jun. *Moses Taffr*, *Joseph Putnam*, *David Thompson*, *Gideon Cooke*, jun. *John Greens*,

Green, Daniel Curtis, Henry Phillips, John Cooke, Duty Salisbury, William Phettiplace, Daniel Smith, Richard Salisbury, Richard Mitchell, David Bowen, Ezekiel Phettiplace, Stephen Barns, Thomas Barns, Benjamin Cooke, David Tafft, John Arnold, Jesse Tucker, Vial Salisbury, and Darius Mitchell, all of the abovesaid Regiment; provided the above Number, or such other Number as shall be hereafter added to said Company, shall not exceed the Number of Fifteen non-commissioned Officers and Privates, to be enlisted out of any one of the Companies in said Regiment, to begin, and with such others as shall be added to them, to form themselves into a Company, by the Name of the *Glocester Grenadiers*; each Officer and Soldier in said Company shall be of the Height of Five Feet and Nine Inches, or upwards; and by their humble Petition prayed this Assembly to grant them a Charter, with such Privileges and under such Regulations as this Assembly should think proper: Wherefore this Assembly, in order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design,

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, that they the Petitioners, together with such others as shall be added to them, not exceeding the Number of Sixty-four, exclusive of Officers, be and they are hereby declared to be an independent Company, by the Name of the *Glocester Grenadiers*, and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and have and enjoy all the Rights and Privileges in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IMPRIMIS. It is granted to the said Company, that they, or the major Part of them, shall and may once in every Year, that is to say, on the Third Monday of April, meet and assemble themselves together in some convenient Place by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit*: One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign, and all such other Officers as shall be necessary for training, disciplining and well ordering the said Company; at which Election no Officer shall or may be chosen but by the greater Number of Votes then present; the Captain, Lieutenants and Ensign, to be approved by the Governor and Council for the Time being, and commissioned and engaged in the same Manner as other military Officers in the State.

SECONDLY. The said Company shall meet for exercising at least Four Times in a Year, upon the Penalty of paying to and for the Use of the said Company the following Fines, *to wit*: The Captain, Lieutenants and Ensign, for every Day's Neglect, *Twenty Shillings*, Lawful Money, each; the Clerk, Serjeants and Corporals, *Eight Shillings*, Lawful Money, each; and each Private, *Four Shillings*, Lawful Money; to be levied by Warrant of Distress from the Captain or other superior Officer of the said Company for the Time being, directed to either of the Serjeants; which Serjeants are empowered to collect the said Fines in the same Manner as is by Law prescribed to collect Fines from Delinquents in the Militia. And furthermore, the said Company shall have Liberty to meet together, and exercise them-

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selves upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Field Officers of the Regiment in whose District they belong or live, in such Meeting and Exercising; and that upon all Field Days, and public Trainings, the said Company shall take Rank on the left Wing of said Regiment to which they belong, and upon all such Occasions shall be subject to the Orders of the Field Officers of the said Regiment.

THIRDLY. The said Company, or the greater Part of them, shall have Power to make such Rules, Regulations and Orders, among themselves, as they may think necessary to promote the End of the Establishment of said Company: Provided, they are not repugnant to the Rules laid down by the Congress of the United States, for establishing Charter Companies, and to impose such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of the said Company, for the Breach of any such Rules, Regulations or Orders, as they shall think proper, so that the same do not exceed the Sum of *Twelve Shillings*, Lawful Money, for any Offence; which Fines and Forfeitures shall be collected and levied by a Warrant of Distress from the Captain or other superior Officer of the said Company for the Time being, directed to either of the Sergeants, to be served as before directed.

FOURTHLY. All those who shall be duly enlisted into the said Company, as long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing any military Duty, in the several Companies or trained Bands in whose District they severally belong.

FIFTHLY. The commissioned Officers of the said Company shall from Time to Time be of the Courts-Martial and Councils of War, in the Regiment in whose District they live or belong.

SIXTHLY. If any Officer of the said Company shall be disapproved of by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of said Company, or shall be taken away by Death, then in either of those Cases the Captain of the said Company, or other superior Officer for the Time being, shall call the said Company together as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another or others in the Room and Stead of such Officer or Officers so disapproved, removed, or taken away by Death, in the Manner herein before directed.

SEVENTHLY. The said Company in Time of an Invasion, or in case of an Alarm, shall be under the immediate Direction of the Captain-General of the State, and the Officers shall be commissioned accordingly.

IT is Voted and Resolved (at the Request of the Petitioners) That Joktan Putnam be Captain; Elisba Mitchell, First Lieutenant; Amaziah Harris, Second Lieutenant; and Thomas Steere, Ensign.

AND

AND it is further Ordered and Directed, That each Officer, and the Soluiers that shall be inlisted into said Company, shall, within one Year from the granting this Charter, provide himself at his own Expence with such Arms and Accoutrements as by the Act of the Congress of the United States, passed at their last Session, the several independent Companies, and Companies of Militia, in the United States, are ordered to provide themselves with, and also to provide themselves with an uniform Dress throughout, suitable to their Rank and Station, of such Sort or Kind as shall be voted by the greater Number of Votes, or the major Part of all the Officers and Soldiers that at that Time shall belong to said Company, under the Direction of the Brigadier-General of the County where the said Company belongs:



IT is Voted and Resolved, That Three Pounds Fifteen Shillings, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, to Ray Greene, Esq; it being the Amount of his Account, for Paper, Quills, and attending upon this Assembly at the present Session as Clerk of the Lower House.

R. Greene
allowed £ 3
15 s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Stephen Pettis, who by a Sentence of the Superior Court hath been pilloried, cropped and branded, and now stands committed to the Gaol in the County of Newport, there to remain until he shall pay a Fine of One Hundred Pounds, Specie Value, and all Costs of Prosecution, be and he is hereby ordered to be discharged from Gaol, upon his giving his promissory Note to the General-Treasurer for Payment of the said Fine and Costs.

S. Pettis re-
leased from
Gaol.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Five Pounds Eight Shillings and Eight Pence, Specie Value, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury to Mr. Robert Reynolds (Son of George) either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for cloathing and boarding Potter Gardner, late a Soldier in Col. Greene's Continental Battalion, now a State Pauper, from February 6, A.D. 1792, to the Eighteenth of June inst.

R. Reynolds
allowed £ 5
8 s. 8 d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Two Representatives, qualified agreeably to Law, to represent this State in the Third Congress of the United States, be elected, by the Freemen of this State, in their several Town-Meetings legally assembled, on the last Tuesday in August next; That the Choice be conducted and made upon the Principles of an Act passed by this Assembly at the Session in June, A.D. 1790, entitled, "An Act prescribing the Mode of electing Senators and a

Resolve for
choosing Re-
presentatives
to Congress.

" Repre-

"Representative, to represent this State in the Congress of the United States of America, and the Times and Places of holding the Elections:" That a Return of the Votes of the Freemen, for the said Representatives, be made to this Assembly at the Session to be holden in October next; and that the Secretary forthwith transmit a Copy of this Resolve to the several Town-Clerks in the State.

J. Whitmore
allowed £ 8
4 s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, agreeably to the Report of a Committee, That *Eight Pounds Four Shillings*, Specie Value, be allowed to Mr. *Jesse Whitmore*, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Providence*, in full Compensation of an Account by him exhibited to this Assembly for repairing the said Gaol, and for the Support and Prison-Fees of divers poor Prisoners committed at the Suit of the State; and that the same be paid him out of the General-Treasury, either in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Report re-
specting the
Harraganst
Indians. WHEREAS the following Report was presented to this Assembly,
so wit :
To the Honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY, now convened at Newport.

AGREEABLY to the Directions of the Honourable Assembly, we proceeded to *Charlestown*, on the Business of our Appointment, and caused Notice to be given to the *Indian* Tribe of our being convened. The Council for the Tribe, together with the greatest Part of the *Indians*, met us: We found the Tribe much divided, and great Uneasiness appeared to subsist among them: We endeavoured to investigate the real Cause of the Division; and, upon a full Investigation, it appeared to originate from a Suspicion, that the Monies arising from the Sales and Rents of their Lands were not appropriated towards the Discharge of the Debts of the Tribe: It therefore appeared to be necessary, in order to accomplish a Reconciliation between the opposed Parties, that an Enquiry should be made into the Accounts of the Sales and Rents of their Lands: We accordingly proceeded on that Business, and being assisted by Col. *Noyes*, one of the former Committee, we made a Statement of the Accounts of the Sales of the Lands last made, which amounted to *Two Hundred Pounds Two Shillings*. The Committee's Accounts, and the Accounts of the *Indian* Council, for their Services, and the Expences which accrued, including *Eighteen Pounds* paid by the Committee to *William Bradford*, Esq; and the Heirs of *Rose J. Helme*, Esq; for Fees due to them, amounted to *One Hundred and Thirty-nine Pounds Six Shillings and Elevenpence*: A Balance of *Sixty Pounds Fifteen Shillings and One Penny* remains due to the Tribe, which is in the Hands of the Committee. There appear to be Claims of Individuals against the Tribe to a very considerable Amount, and in particular a Demand of one Mr. *Croft* of upwards of *Two Thousand Dollars*, including Interest. Your Committee are informed, that a former Committee made Sale of Lands to a very consider-

considerable Amount, to discharge the Demands of Mr. Crofs and others against King Thomas; but he being dissatisfied with the Proceedings of the Committee, declined receiving the Money tendered him in full for his Demands: This Money now remains in the Hands of one of the former Committee, and the Demand of Mr. Crofs is still made against the Tribe.

We did not find ourselves authorized by our Appointment to call the former Committees to a Settlement of their Accounts, therefore proceeded no further on that Business than we conceived necessary to accomplish a Reconciliation in the Tribe, which was in the first Instance our particular Object, and which we flatter ourselves we have in a considerable Degree accomplished, and which will continue, provided proper Regulations are adopted for their future Government.

YOUR Committee finding their Powers by their Appointment inadequate to make a general Settlement of the Concerns of the Tribe, did not think proper to proceed to establish general Regulations for the Tribe, as directed in their Appointment; therefore beg Leave to report, that it appears to your Committee, that before general Regulations are established, some proper Person should be appointed as their Treasurer, he giving Bond for the faithful Discharge of the Duties of his Office.

YOUR Committee are informed, that, in Consequence of their Recommendation for that Purpose, the Tribe have made Choice of Mr. Enoch Crandall, of Charlestown, as their Treasurer, and are desirous that he may be appointed by the Honourable General Assembly accordingly.

YOUR Committee are clearly of Opinion, that it is necessary that a Committee should be appointed, with full Powers to settle and adjust the Accounts of all former Committees, and make such Regulations as may appear to them most likely to establish Peace and Happiness in the Tribe.

UPON this Idea, your Committee did not proceed to a particular Enquiry, whether Encroachments are made on the Lands of the Tribe or not, as directed in their Appointment (believing it will be more for the Interest of the Tribe to have their whole Concerns under the Directions of one Committee): But are informed that Trespasses are committed, Waste of Timber, &c. made.

ARTHUR FENNER,	} Committee.
THOMAS G. HAZARD,	
THOMAS HOLDEN,	
PELEG ARNOLD,	

Newport, June 23, 1792.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and hereby is accepted.

H

AND

June, 1792.

Committee
on Indian Af-
fairs.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency Arthur Fenner, Esq; Thomas G. Hazard, Peleg Arnold, and Thomas Holden, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to settle and adjust the Accounts and Controversies subsisting between the said Tribe and the white Citizens; and to call the former Committees to account for the Money by them received in Behalf of the said Tribe.

AND it is Further Voted and Resolved, That the said Enoch Crandall be and he is hereby appointed Treasurer of the said Tribe, he giving Bond with Surety to the Satisfaction of the said Committee, for the faithful Performance of the Trust reposed in him.

Executions
Stayed.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Proceedings and Executions, for the Staying whereof Petitions are pending before this Assembly, be stayed until the next Session.

Assembly to
meet on the
last Monday
in October.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Session of the General Assembly, which of Course is to be holden on the last *Wednesday* in *October* next, be held on the last *Monday* thereof, in the State-House at *Providence*: Any Law or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding

Adjournment.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next Session: That the Secretary publish the Acts and Orders now made and passed, and transmit them to the several Towns in the usual Manner: And that this Assembly stand adjourned to the *Saturday* next preceding the last *Monday* in *October* next, if then called; but if not called before, nor at that Time, that then this Assembly be and hereby is dissolved.

G O D save the UNITED STATES of AMERICA.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED:

W I T N E S S,

Henry Ward

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August, 1792.

I

At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden, in Consequence of Warrants issued by his Excellency the Governor, at *Newport*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the Second Wednesday in *August*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Two, and in the Seventeenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The HONORABLE

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Esq. Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq.

PELEG ARNOLD, Esq.

JAMES ARNOLD, Esq.

CALEB GARDNER, Esq.

JAMES CONGDON, Esq.

THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq.

THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq.

JOB WATSON, Esq.

JOHN HARRIS, Esq.

} Assistants.

The S E C R E T A R Y.

DEPUTIES

August, 1792.

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

The Honorable WILLIAM BRADFORD, Esq. Speaker.

NEWPORT:

George Champlin, *Esq.*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq.*
 Mr. Edward Simmons,
 John Topham, *Esq.*
 Mr. Christopher Fowler.

PROVIDENCE:

Welcome Arnold, *Esq.*
 Mr. Charles Lippitt,
 Robert Newell, *Esq.*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH:

Mr. Thomas Potter,
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Alexander Thomas, *Esq.*

WARWICK:

Jonathan Gorton, *Esq.*
 Mr. Moses Arnold,
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
 Mr. Gideon Arnold.

WELTERLY:

Walter White, *Esq.*
 Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM:

Mr. John Sands,
 Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN:

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas (Son of Samuel) *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN:

Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH:

James Sweet, *Esq.*
 Hopkins Cooke, *Esq.*

JAMESTOWN:

Mr. John Weeden.
 Mr. Nicholas Carr.

SMITHFIELD:

Mr. John Smith,
 Mr. Arnold Paine.

SCITUATE:

James Aldrich, *Esq.*

GLOCESTER:

Seth Hunt, *Esq.*
 Stephen Winsor, *Esq.*

CHARLESTOWN:

Mr. Benjamin Hoxsie, *jun.*
 Mr. Amos Greene.

WEST-GREENWICH:

Benjamin Tillinghast, *Esq.*
 Thomas Gorton, *Esq.*

COVENTRY:

Job Greene, *Esq.*
 Joseph Rice, *Esq.*

EXETER:

Mr. Christopher Champlin,
 Mr. Isaac Willcox.

MIDDLETOWN:

Mr. James Potter,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL:

Mr. Speaker,
 Mr. Samuel Wardwell.

TIVERTON:

Thomas Durfee, *Esq.*
 Abraham Barker, *Esq.*

LITTLE-COMPTON:

John Davis, *Esq.*

WARREN:

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq.*

CUMBERLAND:

Mr. Jason Newell.

RICHMOND:

Mr. Thomas Lillibridge,
 Mr. Peter Clarke.

CRANSTON:

George Waterman, *Esq.*
 Peter Stone, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON:

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON:

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*
 William B. King, *Esq.*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE:

Elisha Brown, *Esq.*
 Mr. Edward Smith.

BARRINGTON:

Josiah Humphry, *jun.* *Esq.*

FOSTER:

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

REV GREENE, Esq. Clerk of the Lower House.

August, 1792.

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The following is His Excellency the Governor's

M E S S A G E

To this Assembly, *to wit* :

Gentlemen of the Council and House of Representatives,

AFTER the Adjournment of the last Session of the General Assembly, it pleased Almighty God, in his Providence, to remove, by Death, that worthy and faithful Servant of the Public, **SERIAH BROWN**, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Washington*. The whole State felt the Loss; it felt itself deprived of one of its Supporters; of an Officer who has been much respected, and greatly and justly confided in for a long Series of Years, and who discharged the Duties of an important Office with Fidelity, sustaining the best of Characters, that of an honest Man, and of a worthy Citizen. Governor's Speech.

PERHAPS there has not been another Instance in the State since its first Settlement, where one Person has been so long and so repeatedly appointed to the same Office, and who has been more generally approved. But in the Midst of Usefulness he was summoned from this Life to another. He has left his Country, and particularly the Legislature of the State, who for more than forty-five Years past recognize his Name on their Records, as one of their Sheriffs, to participate in Grief, with his more immediate surviving Friends and Relatives, for his Loss, while they look round to find some other Person qualified to fill the Office from which he has been called.

THIS Dispensation of Divine Providence has been more peculiarly affecting to the County of *Washington*. The Constitution and Laws had made no Provision for such a Contingency; it therefore happened, on Mr. *Brown's* Decease, that there was no Person authorized by Law to execute in that County the Processes usually executed by the Sheriff, or his Deputies. The common Course of Justice was consequently interrupted, and repeated Applications were made to me on the Subject. But as there was no Authority competent to make the Appointment of a Sheriff, even temporarily, short of the Legislature, it became necessary for the General Assembly especially to convene for the Purpose, and I was under the Necessity of issuing my Warrants accordingly. As it would have been very inconvenient for the farming Interest of the Community for the General Assembly to have been convened at an earlier Day, I endeavoured to fix on such a Time as would be attended with the least Inconvenience, and yet sufficiently early for the Legislature, if they saw fit, to adjourn the next stated Term of the Court of Common Pleas in *Washington* County to some future Day, in order that an Opportunity may be afforded for authorizing the Return of Processes thereto, that no unnecessary Delay of Justice may exist.

And

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And you will permit me, Gentlemen, to recommend a legislative Provision of this Kind, accordingly: And that a Law may be passed, providing in Case of a similar Event, of the Death of the Sheriff of any of the Counties of the State, for a temporary Appointment of a Person to act as Sheriff until the next succeeding Meeting of the Legislature.

PERMIT me, Gentlemen, also to suggest the Propriety of a Revision of the Laws relative to the Election of the Representatives of this State, in the Congress of the United States. By a Resolution, passed at the last Session, it is directed that Two Representatives, qualified agreeably to Law, shall be elected by the Freemen, on the last Tuesday in this Month, to represent this State in the Third Congress of the United States; and that the Choice shall be conducted on the Principles of an Act passed at the Session of the Legislature in *June, 1790*, entitled "An Act prescribing the Mode of electing Senators and Representatives to represent this State in the Congress of the United States of America, and the Times and Places of holding the Elections;" and that a Return of the Votes of the Freemen shall be made to the General Assembly, in *October* next. On recurring to the Act passed in *June, 1790*, it will be found that it was adapted to the then existing Circumstances of the State, when but one Representative was to be chosen. There are Two now to be elected; and it appears to me necessary, that further and more explicit Provisions should be made, than are contained in those Acts, to prevent the Difficulties which may arise if there should be more than two Candidates, from the Uncertainty of the Returns in Case there is no Provision for a numerical Designation of the Candidates voted for. Otherwise the canvassing Committee, on the Return of the Votes may find it difficult, if not impossible, to determine how the Candidates ought to be arranged, or what particular ones were intended to be opposed to each other. The Right of Suffrage is one of the dearest and most important Privileges of a Freeman, and all due Precaution ought to be taken that it may be secured to every one, conforming to the Laws of the Community, which ought to be so explicit as to be easily understood, and so simple in their Execution that every Freeman, if it is not his own Fault, may be sure of his Vote having some Effect in the final Result of the Election.

THE Consideration of these, and all other Matters requiring the legislative Attention of the State, I submit to the Two Houses of Assembly, not doubting but that they will cheerfully adopt such Measures, in Relation to the Subjects coming before them, for the Promotion of the general Good of our Constituents, as their usual Prudence and Wisdom shall dictate to be right and necessary.

Arthur Fenner.

*Council-Chamber, Newport, }
August 9th, 1792.*

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August, 1792.

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The following is the

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to His Excellency's MESSAGE, *to wit* :

THE General Assembly return their Thanks for your Excellency's Message to both Houses of Assembly, communicating to them the Business on which they are now specially convened.

Answer of
the General
Assembly.

WHILE they regret the Loss of an old and deserving Officer of the State, and the consequent Interruption of Justice in the County of *Washington*, they assure your Excellency that they will chearfully promote such Measures as will best remedy the Suspension of Justice in that County, and guard the State from any Inconveniencies of the like Nature.

THE General Assembly consider with your Excellency the Right of Suffrage as one of the dearest and most important Privileges of Freemen; and that due Precaution ought to be taken that it may be secured to every one conforming to the Laws of the Community. To perpetuate this invaluable Right, they will sedulously attend to the Revision and Amendment of the "Act prescribing the Mode of electing Senators and Representatives to represent this State in the Congress of the United States of America, and the Times and Places of holding the Elections," that it may be explicit and easily understood, and the Manner of Election so fixed, as to render the Returns complete.

WE assure your Excellency, that these Communications shall receive the most mature Consideration, and that we will adopt such Measures as shall appear to us best calculated to promote the general Interest of our Fellow-Citizens and the Honour of the State.



John Malbone, Esq. Brigadier-General of the Militia in the Counties of *Newport* and *Bristol*, having requested Leave to resign that Office, upon Account of a Lameness in his Feet,

Brigadier-General *Malbone's* Resignation accepted.

It is Voted and Resolved, That his Resignation be accepted.

Thomas Arnold, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*, having requested leave to resign that Office,

Lieut. Col. *Arnold's* Resignation accepted.

It is Voted and Resolved, That his Resignation be accepted.

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WHEREAS

Grant to J. Newton. WHEREAS *John Newton*, of *Newport*, represented unto this Assembly, That he had a General-Treasurer's Note, for *Nine Pounds Sixteen Shillings and a Penny*, dated *September 16, 1785*, of which he received One Quarter Part, in Paper Money; and that he hath lost the same; and prayed this Assembly to afford him Relief: And it appearing to this Assembly, by a Certificate from the late General-Treasurer, that he had issued the said Note to the said *John Newton*:

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the present General-Treasurer issue his Note to the said *John Newton*, for the Balance due as aforesaid: And that if the Note so lost be offered at the General-Treasury for Payment, it be stopped.

Bristol empowered to repair their Highways by Taxes. UPON the Petition of the Town of *Bristol*, Be it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the Freemen of the said Town, in Town-Meeting legally assembled, be and they are hereby authorized and empowered, from Time to Time to assess, levy and collect Town Taxes, for keeping the Highways in the said Town, in Repair; and for the same Purpose to make Use of any of the said Town's unappropriated Monies: Any Law or Custom to the contrary in any wise, notwithstanding.

AGREEABLY to a Report of a Committee,

H. Ward allowed £. 30 4s. 8d. 3/4. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That the Account of *Henry Ward*, Esq. for his Services as Secretary, from the General Election to the Session in *June* last, be allowed; and that *Thirty Pounds Four Shillings and Eight Pence Three Farthings*, being the Amount thereof, be paid to the said *Henry Ward*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

AGREEABLY to a Report of a Committee,

H. Ward allowed £. 25 15s. 4d. 3/4. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That a Second Account of *Henry Ward*, Esq. for his Services as Secretary, from the Beginning of the Session in *June* last, to the present Session, be allowed; and that *Twenty-five Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Four Pence Three Farthings*, being the Amount thereof, be paid to the said *Henry Ward*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Charter to the Artillery Company in Newport revived. WHEREAS *John Malbone* and *George Champlin*, Esqrs. late Officers in the Artillery Company in the Town of *Newport*, did, in Behalf of the said Company, prefer a Petition and represent unto this Assembly, that the said Company was established, by a Charter granted them by the General Assembly, in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty-one; and continued in the Exercise of the Powers therein granted, until the British Troops took Possession of *Newport* in *December, 1776*, upon which Event the

the Company was dispersed, and no Election of Officers made, until the First Day of *August*, Instant, when the Company convened and elected the Officers alligned by the said Charter; and that some Doubts have arisen respecting the Right of exercising the Powers therein granted, in Consequence of the Disuse of them during the abovementioned Period: And thereupon they prayed this Assembly, that the said Charter may be declared good and effectual for all the Purposes therein contained; that the present Members of the said Company, and their Successors, be empowered to exercise all the Powers, and enjoy all the Privileges therein granted, as fully as if there had been no Disuse of the same: And that the Officers elected by the said Company, on the aforesaid First Day of *August*, and approved by the Governor and Council, be the Officers thereof until the next annual Election of Officers for the said Company agreeably to the said Charter: All which being duly considered,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the Prayer of the said Petition be and the same is hereby granted.

James Congdon, Esq. the Sixth Assistant for the State, having desired Leave to resign that Office,

It is Voted and Resolved, That his Resignation be accepted

BOTH Houses, being joined in a Grand Committee chose the following Officers, *to wit*: Officers elected.

Nicholas Gardner, jun. Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Washington*.

Jabez Champlin, Esq. Brigadier-General of the Militia in the Counties of *Newport* and *Bristol*.

William Tew, Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Officers of the Infantry Companies in the Town of *Newport*.

First Company,
John Yeamans, Captain,
David Melvill, Lieutenant,
William Allen, Ensign.

Second Company:
Wing Spooner, Captain,
Charles Caboon, Lieutenant,
Samuel Thurston, Ensign.

Third Company:
Thomas Pitman, Captain,
James Tilley, Lieutenant,
Edward Stanhope, Ensign.

Fourth Company:
Joseph Bos, jun. Captain,
Peleg Cranston, Lieutenant,
John Taylor, Ensign.



August, 1792.

An ACT in Addition to and Amendment of
an Act entitled “ An Act for the Ease of Pri-
soners for Debt.”

Addition to
the Act for
the Ease of
Prisoners for
Debt.

WHEREAS no Provision is made by said Act for the Assignment of the Bonds therein provided to be taken, in Case of the Death of a Sheriff before such Assignment shall be made: Wherefore,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That in Case any Sheriff shall decease before an Assignment shall be made of the Bonds by him taken in Pursuance of the said Act, the Executor or Administrator of such Sheriff be and he is hereby empowered to assign such Bond to the Creditor, to and for his Use: And that upon the Assignment of any such Bond by the Sheriff, his Executor or Administrator, the Creditor for whose Benefit such Bond shall be taken be and he is hereby empowered, in his own Name, to commence any Suit or Action for the Recovery of the Money due on such Bond for his own Use: Any Thing in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act be in force immediately from and after the Rising of this Assembly: And that the same shall extend to all Bonds heretofore given in Pursuance of the said Act, entitled “ An Act for the Ease of Prisoners for Debt.”



An ACT empowering Deputy-Sheriffs to act after
the Decease of their Principal, and until a new
one shall be elected and sworn.

Act empow-
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ty-Sheriffs to
act, after the
Decease of
their Princip-
al.

WHEREAS Inconveniencies have arisen by the Death of a Sheriff, before the Expiration of the Time for which he was elected: For preventing whereof in future,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That if any Sheriff within this State shall die before the Expiration of the Time for which he was elected, his Deputy or Deputies shall continue in Office, and execute the same, in the Name of such deceased Sheriff, until another Sheriff shall be appointed and sworn in his Room: That the Defaults or Misfeasances of such Deputy or Deputies, in the mean Time, as well as before, shall be adjudged a Breach of the Bond given by such deceased Sheriff, for the due and faithful Execution of his said Office, according to Law: And that the Executor or Administrator of such deceased Sheriff shall have the like Remedy for the Defaults and

and Mifeazances in Office of fuch Deputy or Deputies, during fuch Interval, as they would be entitled to if fuch deceased Sheriff had continued in Life, and in the Exercife of his faid Office, until his Succelfor was appointed.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That Fifty Pounds Four Shillings and Four Pence, be paid to Mr. *Mofes Vandoorn* (for the Ufe of the Heirs of *Anthony Vandoorn*, deceased) out of the General-Treafury, either in Specie, or Paper Money at the eftablifhed Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of a Grant made to the faid *Anthony Vandoorn*, by this Affembly, at *Auguft* Seflion, A. D. 1785, which hath not been paid.

M. Vandoorn
allowed £.50
4s. 4d.

WHEREAS *George Champlin*, and *William Channing*, Efquires, Two of a Committee appointed by the Lower Houfe, at the laft Seflion, to adjust the Accounts of *Henry Goodwin*, Efq. deceased, late Attorney-General of this State, prefented unto this Affembly the following Report, *to wit* :

M. Goodwin
allowed £.42
2s.

THE Subfcribers, agreeably to their Appointment, beg Leave to report, That there is due from the Eftate of *Henry Goodwin*, Efq. deceased, as Attorney-General, a Balance of *Seventeen Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight Pence*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, A. D. 1786, upon Account of Intereft Bonds due in the County of *Newport*, to the General-Treafury, which were delivered to him to be put in Suit: That the faid *Henry Goodwin*, in his Life Time, received no Compenfation for his Services as Attorney-General: And that there is due to Mrs. *Mary Goodwin*, his Adminiftratrix, *Forty-two Pounds Two Shillings*, Specie, exclusive of the faid Balance for the faid Services.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
WILLIAM CHANNING.

Which being duly confidered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforegoing Report be accepted: And that the faid Sum of *Forty-two Pounds Two Shillings*, in full Compenfation for the faid Services, be paid to the faid *Mary Goodwin*, as Adminiftratrix as aforefaid, out of the General-Treafury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the eftablifhed Rate of Exchange.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Peleg Arnold*, Efq. *Thomas Holden*, Efq. *John Harris*, Efq. Mr. *Nicholas Easton*, *Noah Mathewfon*, Efq. *Benjamin Bourn*, Efq. and the Attorney-General, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to prepare a Bill amending the Act prefcribing the Mode of electing the Representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States, and that they prefent the fame to this Affembly as foon as may be.

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WHEREAS

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J. Niles al-
lowed £. 7
16s. 2d.

WHEREAS *Jonathan Niles*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, presented unto this Assembly an Account by him charged against the State, for the Support of a poor Prisoner, committed at the Suit of the State; for Attendance upon the Courts, transmitting to the proper Officers, Schedules, Commissions, &c. which was submitted to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers have examined the Account of *Jonathan Niles*, Esq. and find that there is due to him the Sum of *Seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Two Pence*, Specie, in full Compensation for the Services therein charged; which is submitted by

HOPKINS COOKE,
NOAH MATHEWSON.

AND the Report being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Two Pence* be paid to the said *Jonathan Niles*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, in full Compensation of the said Account.

Grant to *R.*
Burdick and
others: £. 38s.

WHEREAS an Account was presented unto this Assembly, charged against the State, by *Robert Burdick*, *Joseph Clarke*, *George Stillman*, *Daniel White*, *Randall Wells*, and *T. Potter Gardner*, Esquires, for their Services in examining, trying, and sentencing *Thomas Mount*, and *James Williams*, for breaking open the Shop and Mill of *Mr. Moses Barber*, who were found guilty, and not being able to pay the Costs were committed to Gaol; which Account was submitted to a Committee who made the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers, have examined the above Account, and find due to the said Justices, the Sum of *Three Pounds Eight Shillings*, Specie, in full Compensation for the Services therein charged; which is submitted by

HOPKINS COOKE,
THOMAS NOYES.

AND the said Report being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Three Pounds Eight Shillings* be paid to the said *Robert Burdick*, *Joseph Clark*, *George Stillman*, *Daniel White*, *Randall Wells* and *T. Potter Gardner*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, in full Compensation for their said Services.

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WHEREAS an Account was presented unto this Assembly, charged by *David Nichols, Thomas Tefft, George Webb, Edmund Burdick,* and *Josiah Witter*, for the Costs and Charges of apprehending, trying and sentencing *Elijah Hall*, who was convicted of Stealing, and unable to pay Charges; which Account was submitted to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit:*

Grant to *D. Nichols,* and others $\pounds. 2$ 4s. 6d.

WE the Subscribers have examined the above Account, and find due thereon, to the said Justices, the other Officers and Witnesses, the Sum of *Two Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie, in full Compensation for the Services therein charged, which is submitted by

HOPKINS COOKE,
THOMAS NOYES.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted; that the said Sum of *Two Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence*, be paid to the said *David Nichols, Thomas Tefft, George Webb, Edmund Burdick,* and *Josiah Witter*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, in full Discharge of the said Account; and that the same be paid to the several Persons to whom the same is due.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Nineteen Shillings*, be allowed, and paid out of the General-Treasury, to *Thomas Peckham*, Esq. in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for a Book of Records for the Office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Newport*.

T. Peckham allowed $\pounds. 1$ 19s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirty Pounds* be paid to *William Davis*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being on Account of his Services as Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, and to be accounted for by him.

W. Davis allowed $\pounds. 30$.



An ACT to prevent Horse-racing and the selling of Spirituous Liquors near the Seventh-Day Baptist Meeting-House in *Hopkinton*.

WHEREAS the Practice of racing Horses and selling Spirituous Liquors, near the Seventh-Day Baptist Meeting-House in the Town of *Hopkinton*, during the Time of Public Worship, hath become very frequent, to the great Grievance of the Members of the said Meeting, and of the orderly People of that Town:

Act to prevent Horse-racing, &c. near the Sabatarian Meeting-House in *Hopkinton*.

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BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That if any Person shall race a Horse, near the said Meeting-House, or within one Mile thereof, on any Day in which public Worship shall be had in the said Meeting-House, he shall forfeit and pay, as a Fine, *Twenty Shillings* for each Offence: And that if any Person shall on such Day of public Worship, sell any spirituous Liquors within the same Distance, he shall forfeit and pay as a Fine, *Six Shillings*, for each Offence. *Provided nevertheless,* That nothing in this Act contained, shall be construed to extend to Persons selling spirituous Liquors in their own House, being thereto duly licensed.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Fines and Forfeitures may be recovered by Action of Debt, in the Name of the Town-Treasurer of the said Town of *Hopkinton*; at the Complaint of any Person, before any Justice of the Peace in that Town; One Moiety thereof to be appropriated to and for the Use of the said Town, and the other to and for the Use of the Person complaining.



An ACT providing for the Appointment of Clerks of the Courts within this State, in Cases of Death.

Act for the
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ment of
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Death.

WHEREAS no Provision is made by Law for executing the Duties of a Clerk of either of the Courts within this State, in Case of his Death before the Expiration of the Time for which he is or shall be chosen:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That if the Clerk of any Court within this State, shall die while in Office, as aforesaid, then and in such Case, the Chief Justice of the Court for which the deceased Clerk hath been or shall be elected, be and he is hereby empowered to constitute and appoint a Clerk for the said Court, to act until a Clerk shall be appointed by the General Assembly, and engaged: That such Chief Justice shall cause the Person by him so appointed, to have Access to, and have the Use of the Papers, &c. belonging to the said Office: And that the Person so appointed, shall have and exercise all the Powers of a Clerk of such Court, as fully as if appointed by this Assembly.



Act respect-
ing the
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tives.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Freemen of this State in the Election of Two Representatives, to represent the People of this State in the Congress of the United States, as provided for by a Resolution passed by this Assembly at the last Session, distinguish the Candidates

Candidates they shall vote for in their Ballots, by the Denomination of *First* and *Second* Representative : That any Ballot which shall be given in at said Election, without such Discrimination shall be rejected : And that a Copy of this Resolve be transmitted by the Secretary to each Town-Clerk in the State.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That *William Channing*, Esq. be and he is hereby authorised and requested to examine into the Situation of the Estate of *Caleb Church*, with Respect to his public and private Credits and Demands, and that he make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

W. Channing
to enquire
respecting *C.*
Church's Es-
tate.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Term of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace, which by Law is to be holden within and for the County of *Washington*, on the Second *Monday* in *August* instant, be postponed to the last *Monday* in *September* next : That all Business pending before the said Court be then heard and determined : That Writs now to be issued be made returnable to the said Term in *September*, and be served, and the Declarations and Answers thereon, and upon such others as have already issued thereupon be filed within the Times prescribed by Law : That Executions returnable to the Term of the Court so postponed, be returned at the Term now ordered to be holden, at which Time the Grand and Petit Jurors drawn to attend at said *August* Term, are hereby required to attend ; and that Appeals be entered from the said Court so to be holden to the Term of the Superior Court to be holden in said County, on the First *Monday* in *October* next.

Washington
Court of C.
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poned.

IT is Ordered, That a Copy of this Resolution be transmitted to each of the Town-Clerks in the said County.



WHEREAS the Preservation of this State depends, under Divine Providence, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants, and whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of *Kent*, in said State, now belonging to the Militia Establishment thereof, *to wit* :

Charter to
the *Kentish*
Troop.

John Randal, Joseph Wight, Preserved Hall, Benjamin Nichols, Daniel Johnson, Jabez Stone, Ambrose Stone, Josiah Gibbs, Charles Love, Samuel Gibbs, Westcot Stone, Fones Greene, Adam Casson, Benjamin Gorton, Samuel Wright, Powers Wickes, Daniel Weaver, Josiah Potter, William Holden, Lodowick Greene, Thomas Greene, Preserved Richmond, Freeborn Mathewson, Hall Mathewson, Wanton Nichols, Ezekiel Whitford, Lodowick Mathewson, Aaron Comstock, and Joseph Stone, have preferred their Petition to this Assembly, that they may be incorporated into a Body of Cavalry, to be known by the Name of the *Kentish Troop*.

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BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That for the Purpose of giving due Encouragement to a Design so laudable, as well as better to regulate the military Establishment of this State, that the aforesaid Petitioners, with such others as may be added to them from said County of *Kent*, their Number never to exceed Sixty, Rank and File, exclusive of Officers, be and they are hereby declared to be an independent Company, by the Name of the *Kentish Troop*, and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and have and enjoy all the Rights and Privileges in this Grant, hereafter mentioned.— That is to say, the said Company, or the major Part of them, shall and may once in every Year, *to wit*: On the Second *Monday of April*, forever, meet and assemble themselves in some convenient Place, by them appointed, then and there to choole their Officers, *to wit*: One Captain, One First Lieutenant, One Second Lieutenant, and One Cornet, and all such other Officers as shall be necessary for the Training and Disciplining said Company; at which Election, each Officer shall be chosen by a Majority of Votes of the Company then present; said Number of Electors to be composed of not less than Thirty-one Members, and the same Number of Thirty-one Members always to be necessary for a Quorum, where the Votes of the Company are required in transacting Business. The said Captain, First Lieutenant, Second Lieutenant, and Cornet, to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being, and commissioned and engaged in the same Manner as other military Officers in the State. That said Company shall meet at least once in every Year for Exercising, on Penalty of the following Fines, *to wit*: For the Absence of the Captain, First Lieutenant, Second Lieutenant, and Cornet, One whole Day, *Twenty Shillings* for each; for the Absence of any non-commissioned Officer one whole Day, *Ten Shillings*; or for the Absence of any Private one whole Day, *Six Shillings*. Said Fines to be collected by Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or other commanding Officer of the said Company for the Time being. Said Warrant to be directed to the First acting Serjeant of said Company; which Serjeant is empowered to collect said Fines, in the same Manner as is by Law prescribed for the Collection of Fines in this State's Militia Establishment. And the said Company shall, besides the one Day above-mentioned, meet for the Training and Disciplining themselves any Time they shall see fit, and not be subject to the Orders of any other Regimental Field Officers, but shall on all Field Days rank with other Regiments, agreeably to military Order, as prescribed by the United States, and be under the Command of the Brigadier-General of the County of *Kent*. That said Company shall make such Rules and Regulations for themselves as they shall see fit, provided they do not interfere with the general military Regulations of the United States respecting chartered Companies; and that they inflict such Fines and Forfeitures for Breach or Neglect of such Rules and Regulations as they see Cause, so that the same do not exceed the Sum of *Twelve Shillings* for any Offence, which Fines and Forfeitures,

feitures are to be collected by the same Authority, and in the same Manner as before directed for the Collection of Fines for Absence. And that all Fines and Forfeitures which shall be incurred in the said Company, shall be appropriated to the Use thereof.

THAT those who shall be duly enlisted into said Company, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempt from bearing Arms, or doing any military Duty in the several Companies or Trainbands in said County.

THAT if any commissioned Officer of said Company shall be disapproved by the Governor and Council, or shall die or remove out of the State, the Captain of said Company, or the Commanding Officer thereof for the Time being, shall issue a Warrant from under his Hand, directed to the senior acting Sergeant of said Company, ordering said Company to be convened, for the Choice of an Officer to fill such Vacancy; to effect whose Appointment, said Officer must be approved by the Governor and Council, and commissioned as aforesaid. And that such Company, at the Time of an Insurrection, and while in actual Service, shall be immediately under the Command of His Excellency the Governor for the Time being.

IT is further Resolved, at the Request of the Petitioners, That *John Randal* be chosen the present Captain, *Joseph Wight* the First Lieutenant, *Preserved Hall* the Second Lieutenant, and *Benjamin Nichols* Cornet. And that they be commissioned accordingly, and retain said Appointments until the Second Monday of April, A. D. 1793, being the Time for electing the said Officers.

AND it is further Ordered and directed, That each Officer and Soldier that shall be enlisted into said Company, shall within one Year from the granting this Charter, provide himself, at his own Expence, with such Arms and Accoutrements, as, by the Act of Congress of the United States, passed at their Third Session, Companies of Cavalry were ordered to supply themselves with; and also to provide themselves with an uniform Dress throughout, suitable to their Rank and Station; of such Kind as the Majority shall choose, under the Approbation of the Brigadier-General of the Militia of the County of Kent for the Time being: And that this Charter be and remain to said Company, so long as they shall retain the Number of Forty therein, exclusive of Officers, and meet for Exercise and Discipline, as aforesaid, and no longer.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence* *q. Tew* al. be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Tew*, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter.

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J. Bliven allowed 13s. 6d. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *James Bliven*, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter.

J. Richards allowed 13s. 6d. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Richards*, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance as a Waiter upon this Assembly, at the present Session.

T. Mcvill allowed 13s. 6d. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Mcvill*, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance as a Waiter upon this Assembly, at the present Session.

R. Greene allowed £. 1 19s. *IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Nineteen Shillings* be allowed and paid, out of the General Treasury, to *Ray Greene*, Esq. in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the usual Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for providing Paper and Quills, and Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House.

Com. to ascertain the Rate of Gold *IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs Welcome Arnold, and Christopher Fowler*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the Rate and Value of Gold Coins, within this State, conformable to the Regulations of Gold Coins of the Congress of the United States.

Grant to the Estate of *N. Easton*. *WHEREAS George Champlin, and Robert N. Auchmuty*, Esquires, who were appointed by the Lower House, a Committee to consider the Petition of the Hon. *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq. as Executor of the last Will and Testament of *Nicholas Easton*, late of *Newport*, deceased, presented unto this Assembly the following Report, *to wit* :

YOUR Committee, in Pursuance of their Appointment, beg Leave to Report, That the General Assembly, at the Session in *June*, A. D. 1778, passed the following Resolve, *to wit* :

“ *WHEREAS* at a Superior Court of Judicature, &c. held at *South-Kingstown* in *April* last, a real Estate, mortgaged by one *George Gardner*, to *Nicholas Easton*, Esq. deceased, and given by the said *Nicholas* in and by his last Will and Testament, to *Nicholas Easton*, now at *Newport*, was redeemed by *George Tefft*, to whom the Equity of Redemption had been conveyed: And whereas the
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Redemption Money was ordered, by said Court, to be paid to *Daniel Rodman*, Esq. the then Clerk of said Court, which was done accordingly:

RESOLVED, That the said *Daniel Rodman* pay said Money into the General-Treasury; and that the same be paid to the said *Nicholas Easton*, whenever he, or any Person in his Behalf, shall appear to demand the same, with Interest from the Time of its being received into the Treasury."

YOUR Committee further report, that the said *Daniel Rodman*, in Pursuance of said Resolve, did on the 26th Day of *August*, A.D. 1778, pay to the General Treasurer as follows:

In Continental Paper Money,	-	1261 $\frac{2}{3}$ Dollars.
In 4 per Cent. Notes of this State,		896
Interest on the Notes,	- -	48
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		2205 $\frac{2}{3}$

THE whole amounting as above, to *Two Thousand Two Hundred and Five Dollars and Two Third Parts of a Dollar*; which Money and Notes are now in the General Treasury.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted: That the said Four per Cent. Notes be delivered to the said *Samuel J. Potter*, as Executor as aforesaid: And that the other Part of the said Report be referred to the next Session for Consideration.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid, out of the General-Treasury, to Mr. *Henry Barber*, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that it be in full Discharge of his Account for Printing done for the State to this Time.

H. Barber allowed £. 6 18s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Forty-two Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Carter*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for printing done for the State to the present Time.

J. Carter allowed £. 42 4s. 6d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Session of the General Assembly which was of Course to be holden on the last *Wednesday* in *October* next, be held at the State-House in *Providence* on the last *Monday* in that Month. Any Law or Custom to the Contrary notwithstanding.

New Assembly to meet on *Monday*.

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Adjourn-
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It is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next Session: That the Secretary publish the Acts and Orders now made and passed, within *Ten Days* after the Rising of this Assembly, and within Thirty send Copies thereof to the Sheriffs of the several Counties in this State, by them to be transmitted to each Town-Clerk in their respective Counties: And that this Assembly stand adjourned to the *Saturday* next preceding the last *Monday* in *October* next, then to convene at *Providence*, if then called by his Excellency Governor; but if not called before nor at that Time, that then this Assembly be and hereby is dissolved.

G O D save the United States of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED.

WITNESS,

Henry Ward Secy.

October, 1792.

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At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden, at *Providence*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the last *Monday* in *October*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-Two, and in the Seventeenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The HONORABLE

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Esq. Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq.

PELEO ARNOLD, Esq.

JAMES ARNOLD, Esq.

CALEB GARDNER, Esq.

JOHN COOKE, Esq.

THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq.

THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq.

JOB WATSON, Esq.

JOHN HARRIS, Esq.

} Assistants.

The S E C R E T A R Y.

D E P U T I E S

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq.*
 Mr. Edward Simmons,
 John Topham, *Esq.*
 Henry Sherburne, *Esq.*
 Mr. Christopher Fowler.

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq.*
 Mr. Charles Lippitt,
 Robert Newell, *Esq.*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *jun. Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Mr. Robert Lawton,
 Mr. Matthew Slocum, *jun.*

WARWICK :

Jonathan Gorton, *Esq.*
 Mr. Moses Arnold,
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
 Mr. Gideon Arnold.

WESTERLY :

Walter White, *Esq.*
 Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas, *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Jonathan J. Hazard, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

James Sweet, *Esq.*
 Hopkins Cooke, *Esq.*

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Smith,
 Mr. Arnold Paine.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq.*

GLOCESTER :

Samuel Winfor, *Esq.*
 Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Peleg Crofs, *Esq.*
 Mr. Robert Congdon.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Mr. Caleb Carr,
 Mr. Amos Jacqways.

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq.*
 Joseph Manchester, *Esq.*

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq.*
 Mr. Job Willcox.

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. James Potter,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

William Bradford, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Wardwell.

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee, *Esq.*
 Abraham Barker, *Esq.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

William Richmond, *Esq.*
 John Davis, *Esq.*

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq.*

CUMBERLAND :

John S. Dexter, *Esq.*
 Mr. Jason Newell.

RICHMOND :

Thomas Tefft, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Larkin.

CRANSTON :

Peter Stone, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*
 Mr. William Waterman.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith,
 Mr. Jeremiah Sayles.

BARRINGTON :

Joshua Bicknall, *Esq.*
 Josiah Humphry, *jun. Esq.*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

The Honorable WILLIAM BRADFORD, *Esq.* was chosen Speaker, and
 RAY GREENE, *Esq.* Clerk of the Lower House.

UPON the Petition of *Tony*, a Negro Man, commonly called *Tony Rome*, who was the Property of *George Rome*, an Absentee, representing that he is aged, infirm, and incapable of procuring a Maintenance; and praying to be supported as a State's Pauper: *Tony Rome to be supported as a State's Pauper.*

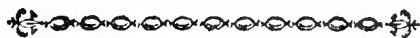
IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer thereof be granted; and that the said *Tony* be under the Care of the Town-Council of *North-Kingstown*, who are hereby required to examine all Accounts for his Maintenance, and report them to this Assembly for Allowance, that they may be paid out of the General-Treasury.



An ACT fixing the Standard of Gold Coins.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That from and after the passing of this Act Gold Coins shall pass and be of legal Value in this State, agreeably to the Standard established by the Congress of the United States, to wit: The Gold Coins of *France, England, Spain, and Portugal*, and all other Gold Coins of equal Fineness, at *Eighty-nine Cents* for every *Pennyweight*. *Act fixing the Standard of Gold Coins.*

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Acts heretofore made in this State, establishing the Value of Gold Coins, be and they are hereby repealed.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Peleg Arnold, Esq. Thomas Holden, Esq. Job Watson, Esq. Robert N. Auchmuty, Esq. Mr. Charles Lippitt, George Thomas, Esq. Mr. Charles Wheaton, Hopkins Cooke, Esq.* and the Secretary, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive and count the Proxies put in by the Freemen, for the Representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States; and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be. *Com. to count the Proxies for Representatives in Congress.*

WHEREAS *John Brown*, of *Providence*, Esq. preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that A. D. 1784, he purchased of the State, for the Sum of *Five hundred and Seventy-five Pounds*, Specie, a Lot of Land upon the Point in *Newport*, heretofore the Property of *George Rome*, an Absentee; of which he received a Deed, with Warranty, from the General-Treasurer: That since the Purchase aforesaid, the Society of Friends have brought an Action against him, grounded on a Quit-Rent, to which the said Lot was subject prior to the said Purchase, and have recovered the same: And that he is informed that the said Society are willing to sell their Right upon reasonable Terms: And thereupon prayed this Assembly *Petition of J. Brown respecting an Estate late G. Rome's.*

bly to reimburse him the said Sum, with the Money he hath advanced for the Repairs of the said Estate, or to clear it of the said Incumbrance.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That George Champlin, Esq. Robert N. Auchmuty, Esq. and Mr. Edward Simmons, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to treat with the said Society, and with the said John Brown, respecting the said Incumbrance: And that they report to this Assembly what Measures relative thereto, will in their Opinion be the most conducive to the Interest of the State.



An ACT in Addition to an Act passed by this Assembly, at the Session in *October*, A. D. 1785, entitled “ An Act to incorporate certain Persons herein after mentioned by the Name of the *Congregational Beneficent Society, in Providence.*”

Additional
Charter to
the *Beneficent*
Society in
Providence.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof of it is hereby Enacted, That the said *Beneficent Society* at any of their Meetings held agreeably to the Tenor of the said Act of Incorporation, shall have Power, by a Majority of their Members present, to order and direct that all Repairs that may be thought necessary and convenient for upholding and securing the Meeting-House, wherein the said Society usually attend public Worship, by covering, painting, or otherwise refitting the said Meeting-House, and for enclosing the Lot of Land whereon it stands, and to assess the Expence thereof upon the Proprietors of the Pews in the said Meeting-House, and, upon the Neglect or Refusal of Payment, to levy and collect the same by selling the said Pews for the said Purpose: *Provided always*, That no Proprietor of any of the said Pews, shall be answerable for any Taxes to be levied and collected as aforesaid, any other Way than by the Value of the said Pews.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Society be and hereby is empowered, to levy and collect any Tax or Taxes, on the Proprietors of Lots in the Burying-Ground, occupied by and belonging to the said Society, that may be thought necessary for the Purpose of improving and keeping the same in Repair: and in Case any Proprietor or Proprietors of Lots, shall neglect or refuse to pay the same, that the Society proceed to dispose of them in such Manner as to them shall appear proper for the best Advantage of the said Society.



It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be he is hereby directed to give his promissory Note to *Anstis Dunbar*, Administrator of the Estate of *John Dunbar*, deceased, late a Soldier in Col. *Greene's* Continental Battalion, for the Sum of *Forty-eight Pounds Three Shillings and Eleven Pence*, Specie, payable on Demand, with compound Interest from December 1st, 1782, until paid; it being the Amount of a Grant made to the said *John Dunbar*, in his Lifetime, which hath not been paid.



An ACT fixing the Salary of the General-Treasurer.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That in future the General-Treasurer of this State, shall be entitled to and receive the Yearly Salary of *One Hundred and Twenty Pounds*, out of the General Treasury, as a Compensation for his Services in that Office.



WHEREAS by the Fifth Section of the Second Article of the Constitution of the United States of America it is provided, that a Number of Electors of President and Vice-President of the said United States, equal to the whole Number of Senators and Representatives to which the State may be entitled in Congress, shall be appointed in each State, in such Manner as the Legislature thereof may direct: And whereas by an Act of Congress passed *March 1, A.D. 1792*, it is Enacted, that the said Electors shall be appointed within *Thirty-four Days* preceding the First *Wednesday* in *December* next: Wherefore,

It is Voted and Resolved, That there be now appointed, by the joint Ballot of the Two Houses of this Assembly, Four Electors of President and Vice-President of the United States; being the Number of Electors to which this State will by Law be entitled, when the President and Vice-President now to be chosen, shall come into Office; and that the said Electors shall give their Votes on the First *Wednesday* in *December* next, at the State-House in the County of *Bristol*.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the present Method of electing the President and Vice-President shall not be brought into Precedent in any future Election of President and Vice-President; but that the Electors may, notwithstanding, be appointed by the Freeman at large, under the Direction of this Assembly.



Officers of
the Artillery
Company
Newport.

A RETURN of the Officers chosen by the Artillery Company in the Town of *Newport*, was presented to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, and the Choice approved. They are as follow, *to wit* :

Francis Malbone, Captain ; *Benjamin Fry*, First Lieutenant ; *Thomas Russell*, Second Lieutenant ; *Walter Channing*, Ensign.

R. Rodman
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IT is Voted and Resolved, That Six Pounds Eight Shillings and Three Pence be allowed and paid to Mr. *Robert Rodman*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for the Board, Nursing, and Funeral Expences of *Mingo Rodman*, deceased, a State Pauper.

Liberties of
the Gaol in
Providence..

WHEREAS *Welcome Arnold*, Esq. Mr. *Edward Smith*, and Mr. *Nicholas Easton*, who were appointed a Committee to establish the Limits of the Gaol in the County of *Providence*, presented unto this Assembly the following Report, *to wit* :

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, we have extended the Limits of the Gaol in *Providence*, from the North-East Corner of Mr. *John Smith's* House to the North-West Corner of the Wall of the Meeting-House Lot belonging to the Society of Friends, Easterly along the North Line of the said Lot, as far as the Range of the East Side of the Court-House, then Northerly, ranging with the East Side of the said Court-House to the Line of Mrs. *Cushing's* Lot, then Westerly down the North Line of the Street to the South Part of Mrs. *Cushing's* Steps, then to the South Corner of the Widow *Arnold's* Brick House, then Westerly, in the Range of the South End of the said Brick House, to the West Side of the Channel of the River which runs under the Mill Bridge, then Southerly to intersect the Range of the South Line of the old Bounds of the Gaol-Yard, Fifty Feet West of the North-West Corner of the old Coal-House of Mr. *Dana*, then East to the Corner of said Coal-House.

WELCOME ARNOLD,
EDWARD SMITH,
NICHOLAS EASTON.

Providence, July 5, 1792.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and hereby is accepted ; and that in future, the Limits of the said Gaol-Yard be established agreeably thereto.

Officers e-
lected.

BOTH Houses, being resolved into a Grand Committee, chose *James Congdon*, Esq. Sixth Assistant for the State, being the Office he resigned at the last Session.

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THE Committee appointed to receive and count the Proxies for the Representatives of this State in the Congress of the United States, made Report, that there was a Majority of Votes for *Benjamin Bourn*, Esq. as *First*, and *Francis Malbone*, Esq. as *Second Representative*: Whereupon the said *Benjamin Bourn*, and *Francis Malbone*, are hereby declared duly elected.



An ACT establishing a Troop of Horse by the Name of *The Providence Independent Light Dragoons for the County of Providence*.

WHEREAS the Preservation of Government, in a great Measure, depends on the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: And whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of the County of Providence, to wit: *Ephraim Bowen*, jun. *John Warner*, jun. *James Pitcher*, *Oliver Bowen* (the Second) *Robert Dixon*, *Colvil Dana*, *Seabury Soule*, *William Hall*, *Henry Smith*, *Paul Draper*, *Josiah Gifford*, *James Hidden*, *Joseph Crawford*, jun. *David McLane*, *Wheeler Martin*, *Elnaban Martin*, *Stephen Tillinghast*, *Joseph Fennner*, *Abner Daggett*, *Job Corlis*, and *Jeptha Wilkinson*, have offered themselves to begin, and with such others as shall be added to them, to form themselves into a Body of Horse, by the Name of *The Providence Independent Light Dragoons for the County of Providence*: And by their Petition prayed this Assembly to grant them a Charter, with such Restrictions and Limitations as this Assembly may think proper:

Charter to the Providence Troop of Horse.

WHEREFORE this Assembly, in Order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable an Undertaking, have ordained and granted, and by these Presents do ordain and grant, that the said Petitioners, with such others as shall hereafter join, and be by them admitted, not exceeding One Hundred and Fifty Men, be and they are hereby declared to be an independent Body of Horse, by the Name of *The Providence Independent Light Dragoons for the County of Providence*, and by that Name they shall have perpetual Succession, and shall have all the Rights, Powers, Privileges, and Honors in this Grant hereafter named.

IN the first Place, *It is granted unto the said Body*, That they, or the greater Number of them, shall and may, once in every Year, to wit: on the last *Tuesday in April*, meet and assemble themselves in some convenient Place, to be by them appointed, and there choose one Colonel, one Lieutenant-Colonel, one Major, one Captain, one Lieutenant, and one Cornet, and all other Officers necessary, for the Training, Disciplining, and well Governing the said Corps or Body of Horse; at which Election, no Officer shall be chosen but by a greater Number of Votes then present, which shall be

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be by Ballot, and not otherwise. The Colonel, Lieutenant-Colonel, Major, Captain, Lieutenant, and Corret, being approved by the Governor for the Time being, shall be commissioned and engaged in the same Manner that other military Officers in this Government are.

SECONDLY,—That the said Corps or Body of Horse, shall meet and exercise four Times in each Year, and shall for the same Purpose, have Liberty to meet on such other Days as they shall think necessary. And that for Non-Attendance on each or either of the Quarterly Days, the following Fines shall be levied, to and for the Use of the said Body of Horse, *to wit* : The Colonel, for each Day's Neglect, *Twelve Shillings*; Lieutenant-Colonel, *Ten Shillings*; Major, *Eight Shillings*; Captain, *Seven Shillings*; Lieutenant, *Six Shillings*; and Cornet *Five Shillings* :—To be levied by Warrant of Distress from the Colonel, or superior Officer of the said Corps for the Time being, directed to the Clerk, who shall execute the same.

THIRDLY.—That the said Corps, or the greater Number of them, shall have Power to make such Rules and Orders among themselves, as they shall think necessary to promote the End of this Establishment: And to lay such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of their Body, for the Breach of any such Rules and Orders, as they shall think proper, so as the same exceed not the Sum of *Twelve Shillings* for any Offence. And shall have full Power to levy the said Fines and Forfeitures they shall so impose, by a Warrant of Distress from the Colonel, as aforesaid, directed to the Clerk.

FOURTHLY.—That all those who shall be duly enlisted in the said Corps of Horse, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing military Duty in the several Companies or Trainbands in whose District they respectively live; excepting such as shall at any Time be Officers in any of the said Companies.

FIFTHLY.—That the Commissioned Officers of said Corps or Body of Horse, from Time to Time, shall be of the Court-Martial, in the District in which they live.

SIXTHLY.—If any Officer or Officers of said Body of Horse, shall be disapproved of by the Governor, or shall remove out of said County of *Providence*, or shall die, that then the Colonel, or Commanding Officer for the Time being, shall call the said Corps or Body of Horse together, as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another in the Room of the said Officer or Officers, so disapproved, removed, or dead, in the same Manner as is herein before described.

SEVENTHLY.—That the said Corps or Body of Horse, in Time of Alarm, shall be under the immediate Direction of the Captain-General

General or Commander in Chief for the Time being, of the State, and that the Officers be commissioned accordingly.

EIGHTLY.—That said Corps or Body of Horse be accoutred, uniformed and equipped, in such Manner as by a Majority of them in a public Meeting, shall be agreed upon.

At the Request of the said Troop, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Ephraim Bowen*, jun. be appointed Colonel, *John Corlis*, Lieutenant-Colonel, *David M' Lane*, Major, *Josiah Gifford*, Captain, *Oliver Bowen* (the Second) Lieutenant, and *Stephen Tillinghast*, Cornet of the said Troop.

It is further Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to sign an Exemplification of this Charter, and cause the Seal of the State to be thereto affixed ; whereupon the said Troop shall be entitled to the Rights and Privileges herein granted.



WHEREAS *Mr. Samuel Cranston*, of *Newport*, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that he was employed to guard the Gaol in *Newport*, to prevent the Escape of several Prisoners, then confined under Sentence of Death : That while on Duty, his Gun, not owing to any Want of Care in him, accidentally went off, and wounded a Horse belonging to *William Anthony*, which soon after died ; That the said *William Anthony* commenced an Action against him for Damages, and recovered Judgment for *Eleven Pounds Six Shillings*, and Costs ; and that he is a poor Man, with a numerous Family, and will be greatly distressed, if held to pay the said Judgment : And thereupon the said *Samuel Cranston* prayed this Assembly for Relief : On Consideration whereof,

Grant to S.
Cranston.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Amount of the aforesaid Damages and Costs, be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury, to the said *Samuel Cranston*.



An A C T granting a Bounty upon Duck manufactured within this State.

WHEREAS it is conceived that the Manufacture of Sail-Cloth may be carried on in this State to considerable Advantage, provided due Encouragement is given by Government, in the Infancy of the Establishment, under such Regulations as shall cause the same to be faithfully executed : And this General Assembly, being desirous of opening new Sources of Industry, increasing the Staple of the State, and lessening the Importation of Foreign Goods,

AA granting
a Bounty on
Duck manu-
factured in
this State.

DO hereby Enact, That there be granted and paid, out of the General-Treasury of the State, a Bounty of *Six Shillings*, for every Piece of Topfail, and other stouter, Sail-Cloth, manufactured within this State, being Thirty-nine Yards in Length, and Twenty-four Inches in Breadth, and that shall be of good and merchantable Quality.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby authorized to appoint an Inspector or Inspectors, to inspect the same; who shall be sworn to a faithful Performance of the Trust. And that upon the Application of any Inhabitant, or Resident of this State, who shall produce a Certificate from the Town Council of the Town where he resides, and the Sail-Cloth was made, certifying that it was *bona fide* manufactured in their said Town, by the Person who presents the Certificate, or some Person or Persons under him, it shall be the Duty of the Inspector to inspect the same, and if it shall appear to him to be, in Length, Breadth and Quality, agreeable to this Act, to mark the same *RHODE-ISLAND FABRIC*, underneath, the Word *INSPECTED*, and under that the Initials of his Name; and to give a Certificate, specifying the Kind of the Sail-Cloth, and the Number of Pieces by him inspected.

AND be it further Enacted, That the Inspector shall receive a Compensation for his Services, of the Person who shall offer to him any Sail-Cloth for Inspection, in the Manner following, *to wit*:— If the Quantity to be inspected does not exceed Ten Pieces, *Four Pence* per Piece; if above Ten, and not exceeding Fifty, *Three Pence*; and if above Fifty, *Two Pence*, for every Piece by him inspected, whether the same is approved or not.

AND be it further Enacted, That the General-Treasurer shall pay unto the Person in whose Name the Certificate was granted, or to his Order, the aforesaid Bounty of *Six Shillings*, for every Piece of Sail-Cloth manufactured, and inspected as aforesaid.

AND be it further Enacted, That this Act shall be and continue in Force for Five Years, from and after the First Day of *June*, next ensuing the passing of this Act, and no longer.



Grant to R.
Robinson.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Two Notes be issued by the General-Treasurer, to *Rowland Robinson*, Esq. for the Sums found due to him from the Estates of *Joseph* and *William Wanton*, and *George Rame*, Absentees, agreeably to the Report of the Committee appointed by the General Assembly, as appears by the Certificate presented to this Assembly; and that the said Notes carry Interest from the Date of the Adjustment of said Demands, upon the same Principles with the Allowances that have been made to other Creditors in similar Circumstances.

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An A C T to incorporate certain Persons, by the Name of *The Catholic Congregational Society in the Town of East-Greenwich, in the County of Kent.*

WHEREAS divers Persons have petitioned this Assembly for an Act of Incorporation whereby they may be enabled to promote certain Purposes, herein after expressed: Therefore,

Charter to
*The Catholic
Society in the
Town of E.
Greenwich.*

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That William Johnson, Gideon Mumford, Archibald Crary, Andrew Boyd, Samuel Tompkins, Thomas Arnold, Jacob Greene, Jonathan Niles, Clarke Brown, Peter Turner, Micah Whitmarsh, William Greene, Oliver Wickes, Jonathan Salisbury, John Fry, Benjamin Fry, jun. James S. Fry, Ray Greene, William G. Spencer, William Arnold, Stephen Arnold, Jeremiah Bailey, Thomas Gould, Stephen Franklin, John F. Mumford, Jonathan Andrews, William Boyd, Josiah Nichols, and Benjamin Gardner, with such others as they shall elect from Time to Time, shall be forever a Body corporate and politic, in Fact and Name, by the Name of The Catholic Congregational Society in the Town of East-Greenwich, for the Purpose of raising a Fund, by free and voluntary Subscriptions, Contributions, Legacies and Donations, for the finishing the Building in said Town of East-Greenwich already begun by the Presbyterian or Congregational Society in said Town, and its Vicinity, agreeably to the Charter granted to them by this Assembly, in August, A. D. 1774 and for promoting and preserving Public Worship therein.

*AND be it further Enacted, That the said Body corporate be and are hereby invested with said Building, and the Lot whereupon it standeth, and all the Estates, Claims, Interests, and Demands, whether Real or Personal, to which the Society incorporated as referred to, in August, A. D. 1774, ever had by said Charter. And are hereby fully empowered, as a Body corporate, to acquire Property whether by Purchase or Donation, and the same to lease and use, as they shall see proper, so as the Appropriations be always to the religious Uses of said Association. And said Corporation shall be a Body in Law capable to sue, and be sued, plead, and be impleaded, to answer and be answered unto, to defend, and be defended against, in all Courts and Places, and before all proper Judges whatsoever, in all and singular Suit and Suits, Causes and Actions, of what Kind soever, in the fullest and amplest Manner. And if it shall happen that the said Catholic Society shall become seized of Lands, or Tenements, by Mortgage as Security for the Payment of any,
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Debt, or Debts, that may be due to them, or by Purchase, it shall be lawful for them, by Deed, under their Seal, to sell and convey the Lands and Tenements acquired by either of the beforementioned Ways. *Provided*, That the Proceeds therefrom arising, be sacredly preserved and appropriated to the religious Uses of said *Catholic Society*.

AND be it further Enacted, That there shall be a Meeting of said *Catholic Society*, in said Town of *East-Greenwich*, on the First *Monday* in *January*, yearly, forever; at which Time, for better ordering and managing the Affairs of said *Catholic Society*, they shall, out of their own Body politic, by a Majority of the Members, elect a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary, and such other Officers as they shall judge needful; and all Officers, chosen as aforesaid, shall, before they are qualified to act, be sworn to the faithful Performance of their respective Trusts, by the Moderator of said Meeting for the Time being, who is hereby authorised to engage said Officers.

AND it is further Enacted, That there shall be a Meeting of the said *Catholic Society*, on the First *Monday* in *January*, on the First *Monday* in *April*, on the First *Monday* in *July*, and on the First *Monday* in *October*, in every Year; and oftner if the Congregation shall think needful.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said *Catholic Society* shall have a Common Seal, which it shall be lawful for them to alter, change, break, and make new at Pleasure; and that the said *Catholic Society*, by their Name aforesaid, and their Successors, shall have perpetual Succession.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said *William Johnson*, shall be the first President, the aforesaid *Gideon Mumford*, the first Vice-President, the aforesaid *William Greene*, the first Treasurer, and the aforesaid *William G. Spencer*, the first Secretary, of the said *Catholic Society*; to continue in their respective Offices until the First *Monday* in *January* next.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said *Catholic Society*, at any of their Meetings, may elect into their Body, such Persons as they shall judge proper, and may appoint a Committee, or Committees, to prosecute the Orders of the said *Catholic Society*, audit the Treasurer's Accompts, and to prepare Matters for the said *Catholic Society* to act upon: And that the said *Catholic Society* shall have, and there is hereby granted unto them, at any of their stated Meetings, full Power to make such Rules, Orders, and By-Laws, and to alter the same, as they shall judge needful for the better Government of the said *Catholic Society*. *Provided*, that such Rules, Orders, and By-Laws, be not repugnant to the Laws of this State, or the Design of their Institution.

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AND be it further Enacted, That any Nine of the Members, the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, or Secretary, always to be one, being convened at any regular Time of Meeting, are hereby declared to be a Quorum of said Society. And to the End that the Members of the said *Catholic Society*, and all Contributors thereto, may know the State of their Stock, and the Disposition of the Profits thereof,

BE it further Enacted, That a particular Account of such Stock and Disposition shall be exhibited by the Treasurer, at every annual Meeting, and oftener if required, and be examined by a Committee of the said *Catholic Society*; who, upon finding it to be true, shall certify the same under their Hands, and fair Entries shall be made, in proper Books, provided for the Purpose, of all Donations, Legacies, Subscriptions, and Contributions, made to the said *Catholic Society*, and of all Estates, both Real and Personal, belonging to them, and of the Income thereof, and also of all their Transactions, either by themselves, or by their Officers, or Committees, for and on Account of the said *Catholic Society*. And that all Donations, of every Kind, to said Society, shall be appropriated agreeably to the Intention of the Donor; if any such Donations are especially given to the Church of said Society, the Members, being Communicants, shall have the entire Appropriation thereof to the Use of the said Church, and full Authority to ask and sue, defend and answer, in any of their Affairs, in Courts or Places, where called as the Society in general Donations.

AND be it further Enacted, That this Society shall, in its Church Government and Ordinances, be after the Congregational Way and Manner, and the Pastor who is chosen to the Care thereof, shall adhere to the Tenets of the Congregational Church.

AND be it further Enacted, That any Member may withdraw from the Society at Pleasure, first giving Notice of his Intention to the Secretary, who shall inform the Society thereof, at the next stated Meeting after such Notice, at which Time an Entry shall be made in the Books of the Society that such Member has withdrawn himself; and the Proportion which the said dissenting Member was entitled to in the Funds of the said *Catholic Society*, shall be appropriated to the general Stock thereof, subject to the Direction of those who remain. *Provided*, That every Candidate for Admission into said Congregation, be approved of by a Majority of a Meeting of said Congregation.



WHEREAS Messieurs *Beriab Waite, Robert Eldred, Hutchinson Cole*, and others, preferred a Petition to this Assembly, praying to be embodied and constituted an Independent Company, by the Name of *The North-Kingstown Rangers*; which

Charter to
*The North-
Kingstown
Rangers.*

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Petition at the Session in *December*, A. D. 1788, was granted ; and it was also Enacted, that a Charter, agreeably thereto, should be granted to the said Company : Now therefore this General Assembly, in Order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design,

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and grant, that they, the Petitioners before named, together with such others as shall be hereafter added to them, not exceeding the Number of Sixty-six, exclusive of Officers, be and they are hereby declared to be an Independent Company, by the Name of *The North-Kingstown Rangers*; and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights, Powers, and Privileges, in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IMPRIMIS.—It is granted unto the said Company, that they, or the greater Number of them, shall and may, once in every Year, that is to say, on the last *Saturday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together, in some convenient Place, by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit* : One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign, and all other Officers necessary for training, disciplining, and well-ordering of the said Company ; at which Election no Officer shall be chosen but by the greater Number of Votes then present : The Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being.

SECONDLY —That the said Company shall have Liberty to meet and exercise themselves, upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Colonel, or other Field-Officers of the Regiment in whose District they live ; and that they be obliged to meet, at least four Times in the Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, *to wit* : The Captain, for each Day's Neglect, *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money ; the Lieutenants, and Ensign, each *Nine Shillings*, lawful Money ; the Clerk, the Serjeants, and Corporals, each *Six Shillings*, lawful Money ; and the common Soldiers, each *Three Shillings*, lawful Money ; to be levied by Warrant of Distress, from the Captain or Superior Officer of said Company for the Time being, directed to the Clerk.

THIRDLY.—That the said Company, or the greater Number of them, shall have Power to make such Rules and Orders among themselves, as they shall think necessary to promote the End of the Establishment, and to lay such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of their own Company, for the Breach of any such Rules and Orders, as they shall think proper, so as the same exceed not *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, for any Offence ; and also shall have full Power to levy the said Fines and Forfeitures they shall so impose, by a Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or Superior Officer of said Company for the Time being, directed to the Clerk.

FOURTHLY.

FOURTHLY.—That all those who shall be duly voted or enlisted in the said Company, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing military Duty (watching and warding excepted) in the several Companies or Train-Bands in the District they respectively live.

FIFTHLY.—If any Officers of the said Company shall be disapproved by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of said Town of *North-Kingstown*, or shall be taken away by Death, that then and in either of those Cases, the Captain of said Company, or Superior Officer for the Time being, shall call said Company together, as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another, or others, in the Room of such Officer or Officers so disapproved, removed, or taken away by Death, in the same Manner as is herein before directed.

SIXTHLY.—And for the further Encouragement of said Company, it is further granted, that the Captain of the said Company shall be of the Rank of Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant, the Two Lieutenants, of the Rank of Majors, and the Ensign of the Rank of Captain; and that the Officers be commissioned accordingly: And upon all Field Days, and public Trainings, the said Company of Light-Infantry shall hold their Rank and Station in the Front of the Right Wing of the Regiment, in whose District they are included.

SEVENTHLY.—That the Commissioned Officers of the said Company, from Time to Time, shall be of the Court-Marshal and Council of War, in the Regiment, in whose District they live.

EIGHTHLY.—That the said Company, in the Time of an Alarm, shall be under the immediate Direction of the Commanding Officer of the State.

It is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor, be and he is hereby requested, to sign an Exemplification of this Charter, and to cause the Seal of the State to be thereunto affixed: Whereupon the said Company shall be entitled to and enjoy all the Rights, Powers and Privileges therein granted.



WHEREAS Messieurs *Joseph Hammond, jun. Stephen Waite, Christopher Pierce*, and others, all Inhabitants of *Exeter*, preferred a Petition to this Assembly, praying to be embodied and constituted an Independent Company, by the Name of the *Washington Independent Company*: Which Petition, at the Session in December,

Charter to
The Washington
Independent
Company.

ber, A. D. 1788, was granted ; and it was also Enacted, that a Charter, agreeably thereto, should be granted to the said Company : Now therefore this General Assembly, in Order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design,

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and grant, that they, the Petitioners before named, together with such others as shall be hereafter added to them, not exceeding the Number of Sixty-six, exclusive of Officers, be and they are hereby declared to be an Independent Company, by the Name of *The Washington Independent Company* ; and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights, Powers, and Privileges, in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IMPRIMIS.—It is granted unto the said Company, that they, or the greater Number of them, shall and may, once in every Year, that is to say, on the last *Saturday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together, in some convenient Place, by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit* : One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign, and all other Officers necessary for training, disciplining, and well-ordering of the said Company ; at which Election, no Officer shall be chosen but by the greater Number of Votes then present : The Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being.

SECONDLY.—That the said Company shall have Liberty to meet and exercise themselves, upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Colonel, or other Field-Officers of the Regiment in whose District they live ; and that they be obliged to meet, at least four Times in the Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, *to wit* : The Captain, for each Day's Neglect, *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money ; the Lieutenants, and Ensign, each *Nine Shillings*, lawful Money ; the Clerk, the Serjeants, and Corporals, each *Six Shillings*, lawful Money ; and the common Soldiers, each *Three Shillings*, lawful Money ; to be levied by Warrant of Distress, from the Captain or Superior Officer of said Company for the Time being, directed to the Clerk.

THIRDLY.—That the said Company, or the greater Number of them, shall have Power to make such Rules and Orders among themselves, as they shall think necessary to promote the End of the Establishment, and to lay such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of their own Company, for the Breach of any such Rules and Orders, as they shall think proper, so as the same exceed not *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, for any Offence ; and also shall have full Power to levy the said Fines and Forfeitures they shall so impose, by a Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or Superior Officer of said Company for the Time being, directed to the Clerk.

FOURTHLY.

FOURTHLY.—That all those who shall be duly voted or enlisted in the said Company, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing military Duty (watching and warding excepted) in the several Companies or Train-Bands in the District they respectively live.

FIFTHLY.—If any Officers of the said Company shall be disapproved by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of said Town of *Exeter*, or shall be taken away by Death, that then and in either of those Cases, the Captain of said Company, or Superior Officer for the Time being, shall call said Company together, as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another, or others, in the Room of such Officer or Officers so disapproved, removed, or taken away by Death, in the same Manner as is herein before directed.

SIXTHLY.—And for the further Encouragement of said Company, it is further granted, that the Captain of the said Company shall be of the Rank of Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant, the Two Lieutenants, of the Rank of Majors, and the Ensign of the Rank of Captain; and that the Officers be commissioned accordingly: And upon all Field Days, and public Trainings, the said Company shall hold their Rank and Station in the Front of the Right Wing of the Regiment, in whose District they are included.

SEVENTHLY.—That the Commissioned Officers of the said Company, from Time to Time, shall be of the Court-Marshal and Council of War, in the Regiment, in whose District they live.

EIGHTHLY.—That the said Company, in the Time of an Alarm, shall be under the immediate Direction of the Commanding Officer of the State.

It is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor, be and he is hereby requested, to sign an Exemplification of this Charter, and to cause the Seal of the State to be thereunto affixed: Whereupon the said Company shall be entitled to and enjoy all the Rights, Powers and Privileges therein granted.



A RETURN of the Officers elected by *The Governor's Independent Company of Light-Infantry* was made to his Excellency the Governor and Council, who approve the Choice. They are as follows, to wit: Officers of
*The Light In-
fantry in
Providence.*

John Whipple, Captain, *Robert Taylor, jun.* First Lieutenant, *Jeremiah Eddy*, Second Lieutenant. *Thomas Williams*, Ensign.

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lected.

THE two Houses, being resolved into a Grand Committee, elected the following Officers, *to wit* :

Henry Sherburne, Esq. General-Treasurer of the State.

William Bradford, Esq. Second Senator, to represent this State, in the Congress of the United States, from and after the third Day of *March* next, for and during the Time limited by the Constitution of the United States.

His Excellency *Arthur Fenner*, Esq. *George Champlin*, Esq. the Honorable *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq. and *William Greene*, Esq. on the Part of this State, Electors of a President and Vice-President of the United States, for and during the Term of Four Years, to commence on the Fourth Day of *March* next.

Henry Congdon, Esq. Fourth Justice of the Peace, for the Town of *North-Kingstown*.

Simeon Babcock, *John Collar*, and *Nathan Taylor*, Esqrs. Justices of the Peace, for the Town of *Charlestown*, in Addition to those already chosen.

Samuel Royal Paine, Esq. a Justice of the Peace, for the Town of *Bristol*, in Addition to those already chosen.

Thomas Steadman, Captain, *Robert Hazard* (Son of *Joseph*) Lieutenant, *Robert Babcock*, Ensign of the Fourth, and *Clarke Hopkins*, Ensign of the Second Company of Infantry, in *South-Kingstown*.

Joseph Kinyon, jun. Captain, and *Henry Greene*, jun. Lieutenant of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *Charlestown*.

Asa Wilcox, Ensign of the Third Company of Infantry, in the Town of *Exeter*.

Perry Clarke, Lieutenant of the Second Company of Infantry, in the Town of *Richmond*.

Grant for
Washington
Gaol.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Ninety Pounds* be allowed for finishing the Gaol, in the County of *Washington*; and that it be paid out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, to the Honorable *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq. *Jonathan J. Hazard*, Esq. and *Rowland Brown*, Esq. the Committee for building said Gaol.

Com. on Pro-
vidence Gaol.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit*:

WE the Subscribers, a Committee appointed to survey the Situation of the Gaol in *Providence*, and to ascertain what Repairs are necessary

necessary, report, That we have viewed the Premises, and after a careful Survey find, that the Building now employed for that Purpose, is in a very ruinous Condition, and neither convenient nor safe for a Gaol, in its present Situation; that it will require a very considerable Sum to give it the mere necessary Repairs and make it secure: And that, upon taking every Thing into Consideration, we are of Opinion, it is not for the Interest of the State, to have more Money expended upon it, but to build an entire new Gaol.—And we beg Leave to suggest the Idea, or Propriety, of embanking the Water Front of the Gaol-Lot, and having the same filled up, so as to form a proper Situation to build a new Gaol upon, which might be done at no great Expence.—And perhaps it may be worthy of Consideration felling the present Building, and the Ground on which it stands; the Produce of which we conceive, will go considerably towards defraying the Expence of the new Building. All which is submitted by

JOHN TOPHAM,
SAMUEL ELAM,
JOSHUA BICKNALL.

Providence, November 2, 1792.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Welcome Arnold*, Esq. *Mr. Edward Smith*, and *Mr. Charles Lippitt*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to form a Plan for erecting a new Gaol in the County of *Providence*, as well in Respect to the Situation as the Form of said Building: That they also consider of the best Disposition which can be made of the old Gaol, for the Interest of the State; and that they make Report to this Assembly, at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *George Thomas*, *Thomas Telft*, and *Elisba R. Potter*, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee for building the Gaol in the County of *Washington*.

Com. to audit the Accounts for building *Washington* Gaol, and to sell the old Gaol.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That they also be and are hereby fully authorized and directed, to sell and dispose of the old Gaol in that County, either at public or private Sale; and that the Bill of Sale by them given, shall convey to the Purchaser or Purchasers, all the Right and Interest of the State in the said Building, and no more.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *George Champlin*, Esq. *Robert N. Auchmuty*, Esq. and *Mr. Christopher Fowler*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive of *Mrs. Rebecca Clarke*, Executrix of the last Will of *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. deceased, late General-Treasurer of this State, all the Books, Papers, Documents, Money, and every Thing else in her Hands, belonging to the State, in that Office; and that they deliver the same to *Henry Sberburne*, Esq. the present General-Treasurer, and take his Receipt therefor.

Com. to deliver the General-Treasury to the present Gen. Treasurer.

Executrix of
Jos. Clarke,
Esq. deceased,
to transfer the Pub-
lic Securities
to *H. Sherburne.*

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Mrs. Rebecca Clarke,* Executrix of the last Will of *Joseph Clarke,* Esq. deceased, be and she is hereby authorized and directed to transfer all the funded, and deferred Stock standing in the Name of the said *Joseph Clarke,* in the Books of the Loan-Office of the United States within this State, and belonging to this State, to *Henry Sherburne,* Esq. and that the said *Henry Sherburne,* be and he is hereby fully empowered to receive the Interest as it shall become due and payable thereon from Time to Time.

Report up-
on the late
General
Treasurer's
Accounts.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account and Report thereon, *to wit:*

Dr. The State of *Rhode-Island,* in Account with *Joseph Clarke,* General-Treasurer, for the Emission of Paper Money made in *May,* A. D. 1786.

To Cash paid by Order of Assembly, &c. and charged in Alphabetical Order, from *February* 16, 1786, to *March,* 1792, *to wit:*

To Amount of Cash paid, as per Letter A,	£.	4553	6	3½
To Ditto Ditto B,		8924	0	7
To Do. Do. C,		10860	9	2½
To Do. Do. D,		1354	12	6
To Do. Do. E,		2144	4	5
To Do. Do. F,		1384	2	0¾
To Do. Do. G,		3472	15	0
To Do. Do. H,		4858	7	6
To Do. Do. I,		2091	4	0
To Do. Do. K,		1047	10	5½
To Do. Do. L,		427	8	3½
To Do. Do. M,		3847	1	4¾
To Do. Do. N,		1468	1	0
To Do. Do. O,		3270	16	2
To Do. Do. P,		5230	10	0¾
To Do. Do. R,		2670	13	5½
To Do. Do. S,		5809	3	9
To Do. Do. T,		4657	12	2
To Do. Do. U,		1544	19	0
To Do. Do. W,		8924	16	1
To Do. Do. Y,		4	12	11½
To Cash paid Invalids as per Two Lists, with Receipts thereon, signed by the late <i>Rouse J. Helme,</i> Esq. one of the State's Commissioners for settling Accounts with the United States,		1282	14	6
To Amount of Petty Charges,		15	19	8½
To Cash paid Invalids, per Act of Assembly, <i>June</i> Session, 1788,		1917	10	0
To Cash paid Ditto, per Ditto, <i>October</i> Session, 1788,		5716	1	0
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To Cash paid Ditto,	per Ditto, March	
Session, 1789,		£ 1882 0 0
To Cash paid Ditto,	per Ditto, June	
Session, 1789,		3634 0 0
To Cash paid Ditto,	per Ditto, October	
2d Session, 1789,		3627 0 0
To Amount of Payments made on the First Quarter Part of the State Notes, as per Alphabetical Book, No. 7,		12837 4 0 $\frac{1}{4}$
To Amount of Payments made on the Second Quarter Part of the State Notes, as per Alphabetical Book, No. 7,		11353 1 10
To Amount of Payments made on the Third Quarter Part of the State Notes, as per Alphabetical Book, No. 7,		13542 4 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
To Amount of Payments made on the Fourth Quarter Part of the State Notes, as per Alphabetical Book, No. 7,		12465 7 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
To Amount of Payments made on the Four per Cent. Notes (so called) as per Account exhibited in Schedule, No. 1,		29151 1 8
1786. } To Cash paid <i>Nathan Miller</i> , one		
April 12. } State Note,		300 0 0
May 5. To Do. <i>Nathan Kinyon</i> , 34 State Notes,		993 16 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
6. To Do. <i>George Hunt</i> , in Part, 1 State Note,		79 4 11
June 29. To Do. <i>Beriab Brown</i> , 2 State Notes,		41 18 0
July 1. To Do. Col. <i>Ward</i> , for <i>Nathan Kinyon</i> , 7 State Notes,		624 3 1
To Do. <i>Nathan Kinyon</i> , 5 State Notes,		81 19 5
To Do. Do. 26 Impost Orders,		129 14 11
1787. } To Do. paid <i>Arthur Fenner</i> , jun. Certificate as Clerk of the Superior Court, <i>Providence County</i> , for Cost of <i>Gloucester Rioters</i> £.35 6 6		
March 10. } To Do. paid on a 4 per Cent. Note, for the Balance,		47 4 6
		82 11 0
13. To Do. paid <i>George Irish</i> and <i>John Cooke</i> , 23 State Notes, and 8 Impost Orders,		2971 4 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
May 5. To Do. paid <i>Caleb Harris</i> , for Impost Orders,		631 10 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
14. To Do. paid <i>Robert Crooke</i> , for 118 Impost Orders,		549 5 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
June 6. To Do. paid <i>William Barton</i> , for 29 Impost Orders,		125 12 2
August 16. To Do. paid <i>Robert Crooke</i> , for 4 Impost Orders,		26 11 9
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Dec. 28.	To Do, paid <i>John Mathewson</i> , 35 Impost Orders,	£. 128	3	3
1788.	} To Do. paid <i>Jeremiab Brown</i> , jun. 1 March 10. } Teamster's Certificate,	15	9	9
	To Amount of Interest-Indents (commonly called Facilities) paid <i>William Ellery</i> , Continental Loan-Officer, as per his Receipt, dated <i>December 13, 1788</i> , for 39,902 Dollars and $\frac{8}{100}$ at 6s,	11970	12	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To Amount of Certificates, issued for <i>Mr. Chinn's</i> Certificates for the Teaming Service, and received in Payment of the Tax ordered <i>August, 1785</i> ,	1085	14	2
	To Counterfeit Money of the Emission of <i>May, 1786</i> , received in Taxes, and divers Bills of the same Emission that the Signers' Names were cut off, that was exchanged by Order of the Assembly, and is now burnt by the Committee,	143	16	0
1792.	} Balance due the State, which is charged Oct. 3. } to the Treasurer, in the Silver Money Account now exhibited, at the Rate of 15 for 1,	6383	18	3 $\frac{1}{4}$
		£. 202,335	18	3 $\frac{1}{4}$

Creditor.

1786.	} By Balance of Account this Day adjust- Feb. 8. } ed per Report of a former Committee,	£. 24764	2	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
March 4.				
	By Cash of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , per Order of Assembly,	34	6	3
April 5.	By Do. of <i>Robert Taylor</i> , for <i>Abner Woodward's</i> Fine for passing base Coppers,	1	10	0
12.	By 1 Treasurer's Note received of <i>Nathan Miller</i> , for Balance due the State, for Pig-Iron,	300	0	0
May 5.	By 34 Treasurer's Notes received of <i>Robert Stanton</i> , in Part of <i>Point Judith</i> Farm, sold <i>Nathan Kinyon</i> ,	993	16	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
6.	By Part of a Treasurer's Note received of <i>George Hunt</i> ,	79	4	11
June 29.	By 2 Treasurer's Notes, received of <i>Jeremiab Brown</i> , for the Sale of 28 Acres of Land, in <i>Exeter</i> ,	41	18	0
July 1.	By 7 State Notes, received of <i>Col. Ward</i> , for <i>Nathan Kinyon</i> , in Part of the <i>Point Judith</i> Farm,	624	3	1
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	By 5 State Notes received of <i>Nathan Kinyon</i> ,	£. 81 19 5
	By 26 Impost Orders, received of Col. <i>Ward</i> , for <i>Nathan Kinyon</i> , in Part for the <i>Point Judith Farm</i> ,	129 14 11
	By Cash of <i>Isaac Church</i> , in full for a Lot of Land, late <i>Thomas Banister's</i> ,	30 0 0
Sept. 20.	By Do. of <i>Daniel Mason</i> , in Part for the House and Wharf late <i>Joseph Wanton's</i> ,	675 0 0
26.	By Do. of <i>Peter and Benjamin Mumford</i> , for the Rent of Land late <i>Isaac Lawton's</i> ,	33 0 0
Dec. 20.	By Do. of <i>Daniel Mason</i> , in full for the House and Wharf late <i>Joseph Wanton's</i> ,	2025 0 0
1787.	By Endorsements on Two Treasurer's	
Mar. 10.	Notes for Costs of <i>Gloucester Rioters</i> ,	82 11 0
20.	By Cash of <i>William Taggart</i> , for Balance of Light Money,	25 15 7½
	By Do. of <i>Walter Watson</i> , and <i>Rowland Brown</i> , in Part of the Rent of <i>Point-Judith Farm</i> ,	75 0 0
April 13.	By Do. of <i>Robert Currie</i> , surviving Executor to the Estate of <i>Samuel Currie</i> , obtained by a Judgment of Court, against said <i>Currie</i> , and <i>Benjamin Cozzens</i> ,	352 4 3½
	By 23 State Notes, with Interest, and 8 Impost Orders, received of <i>George Irish</i> , and <i>John Cooke</i> , in Part for the <i>Point-Judith Farm</i> , <i>March 13th, 1787</i> ,	2971 4 11½
May 5.	By Impost Orders of <i>Caleb Harris</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Providence County</i> ,	631 10 10½
	By Cash of Do.	136 18 0
8.	By Do. of <i>Gideon Mumford</i> , by the Hands of <i>Thomas Rumreill</i> ,	21 13 5½
14.	By Do. of <i>Robert Crooke</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Newport County</i> ,	750 0 0
	By 118 Impost Orders, of Do.	549 5 1½
June 6.	By Cash of <i>William Barton</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Bristol County</i> ,	46 0 0
	By 29 Impost Orders, of Do.	125 12 2
16.	By Cash of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , per Act of Assembly,	2 16 9
July 12.	By Do. of <i>George Thomas</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Washington County</i> ,	28 9 0
16.	By Do. of <i>Samuel Seager</i> , per Act of Assembly, <i>June, 1787</i> ,	593 18 10½
Aug. 16.	By Do. of <i>Robert Crooke</i> , late Collector of Impost, <i>Newport County</i> ,	237 8 9
	By 4 Impost Orders of Do.	26 11 9
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Sept. 10.	By Cash of <i>Joseph W. Tweedy</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Newport County</i> ,	£. 915	16	0
Dec. 28.	By Cash of <i>John Matthewson</i> , Do. <i>Providence Do.</i>	749	17	9
	By 35 Impost Orders, of Do.	128	3	3
1788.	} By Cash received of <i>Jeremiah Brown</i> ,			
Mar. 10.	} jun. by the Hands of <i>Rowse J. Helme</i> ,	20	2	3
	By 1 Teamster's Certificate of Do.	15	9	9
29.	By Cash of <i>Peter and Benjamin Mumford</i> , for Rent of the <i>Almy Lot</i> ,	16	10	0
April 7.	By Do. of <i>George Thomas</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Washington County</i> ,	13	0	0
May 6.	By Do. of <i>Joseph W. Tweedy</i> , Do. <i>Newport Do.</i>	911	15	6
9.	By Do. of <i>John Matthewson</i> , Do. <i>Providence, Do.</i>	728	12	11
June 6.	By Do. of <i>Joseph W. Tweedy</i> , Do. <i>Newport Do.</i>	890	2	5
11.	By Do. of Do.	376	10	0
July 9.	By Do. of <i>John Matthewson</i> , Do. <i>Providence Do.</i>	1648	4	9½
Nov. 7.	By Do. of <i>Beriah Brown</i> for <i>Christopher Clarke's Fine</i> ,	7	10	0
	By Do. of Do. for <i>Benjamin Corey's Fine</i> ,	15	0	0
19.	By Do. of <i>George Thomas</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Washington County</i> ,	10	12	6
25.	By Do. of <i>Joseph W. Tweedy</i> , Do. <i>Newport Do.</i>	660	19	6
Dec. 30.	By Do. of <i>John Matthewson</i> , Do. <i>Providence Do.</i>	493	8	3
1789.	} By Do. of <i>William Barton</i> , Do. <i>Bris-</i>			
Jan. 23.	} tol Do.	2	13	7
Feb. 20.	By Do. of <i>John Matthewson</i> , Do. <i>Providence Do.</i>	623	13	11
Mar. 11.	By Do. of <i>Joseph W. Tweedy</i> , Do. <i>Newport</i> , by the Hands of <i>Henry Sberburne</i> ,	1030	7	1
26.	By Do. of <i>Caleb Harris</i> , late Do. <i>Providence</i> , Balance of his Account, by the Hands of <i>Theodore Foster</i> ,	1133	3	3
April 22.	By Do. of <i>Sylvester Robinson</i> , his Part of a delinquent Class,	52	0	0
May 8.	By Do. of <i>John Matthewson</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Providence County</i> ,	1587	15	9
June 12.	By Do. of Do.	730	2	0
July 1.	By Do. of <i>Peter Phillips</i> , being the Balance of Money he borrowed of the State,	336	0	0
Sept. 11.	By Do. of <i>John Wanton</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Newport County</i> ,	697	4	9
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17. By Do. of <i>John Matthewson</i> , Do. <i>Providence</i> Do.	£.1100	10	9
Oct. 7. By Do. of Do.	529	1	9
10 & 19. By Do. of Do. (at twice)	264	19	6
Nov. 23. By Do. of Do.	425	7	6
1790. } By Do. of <i>John Wanton</i> , Collector of			
Jan. 9. } Impost, <i>Newport</i> County,	272	14	0
Feb. 26. By Do. <i>John Matthewson</i> , Do. <i>Providence</i> Do.	387	12	3
Oct. 1. By Do. of <i>Thomas Terw</i> , for <i>James Liney's</i> Fine,	1	0	0
16. By Do. of <i>John Easton</i> , on Account of Excise,	80	11	0
Nov. 12. By Do. of <i>John Wanton</i> , Collector of Impost, <i>Newport</i> County,	1336	17	6
1791. } By Do. of Do. in Orders of Assembly,			
Feb. 26. } and Cash,	1610	8	6
Mar. 24. By Do. of <i>William Davis</i> , for <i>John Read's</i> Fine,	4	10	0
June 28. By Do. and Orders of Assembly, of <i>Ebenezer Thompson</i> , late Collector of Impost, <i>Providence</i> County, by the Hands of his Excellency <i>Arthur Fenner</i> , Esq.	4461	9	5
By Do. of <i>John Wanton</i> , late Collector Impost, <i>Newport</i> County,	1119	5	0
July 18. By Do. of <i>Francis Malbone</i> , Administrator to the Estate of <i>Joseph W. Tweedy</i> , late Collector of Impost, <i>Newport</i> County,	735	2	6
By Cash received and lodged in the Office, for the following Tenders made in Paper Money, and since paid out by Order of Assembly, and charged in the Alphabetical Book, to wit:			
<i>Edmund Brown</i> , for <i>John Coggeshall</i> ,	7	12	6
<i>Joseph Smith</i> , for <i>Cyprian Sterry</i> ,	59	6	9
<i>John Easton</i> , for <i>Caleb Aldrich</i> ,	135	0	0
<i>John Slocum</i> , for <i>William Brown</i> ,	25	13	0
<i>Samuel Winsor</i> , for <i>Nathan Paine</i> ,	222	0	0
By Cash paid <i>Henry Littlefield</i> , of the unloaned Money per Act of Assembly, <i>March</i> 6, 1788,	125	0	0
By Cash received of divers Towns, for Interest on Taxes, due from them previous to the Audit of <i>February</i> , 1786, and since which, paid by them in Paper Money,	483	2	1½
By Cash received of divers Towns, for Interest on the State Tax ordered in <i>June</i> , 1786,	91	13	11½
By Do. received of Do. ordered in <i>March</i> , 1787,	183	15	3½
By Do. received of Do. ordered in <i>September</i> , 1787,	320	18	10½
By Do. received of Do. ordered in <i>June</i> , 1788,	161	10	11
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By Do. received of Do. ordered in <i>March</i> , 1789,	£. 345 17 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
By 675 Certificates received of <i>William Ellery</i> , Loan-Officer, for Interest on Loan-Office Cer- tificates, <i>June</i> 30th, 1786, amounting to 6572 Dollars $\frac{1}{100}$, at 6s.	1971 17 0
By Cash received from the County of <i>Newport</i> , for Interest due from the Inhabitants on the Money loaned them of the Emission of <i>May</i> , 1786, for the Years 1787, 1788, 1789, 1790, and 1791,	2858 15 5
By Cash received of <i>John Sayles</i> , Collector of the Bonds due from the Inhabitants of the County of <i>Providence</i> , for Interest on the Money loaned them, of the Emission of <i>May</i> , 1786, from <i>December</i> 31st 1787, to <i>June</i> 29, 1791,	4589 0 11 $\frac{1}{4}$
By Cash received of <i>Benjamin Davis</i> , Collector of the Bonds due in the Year 1787, from the In- habitants of the County of <i>Washington</i> , for In- terest on the Money loaned them, of the Emis- sion of <i>May</i> , 1786,	1097 3 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
By Cash received of <i>James Sheldon</i> , Collector of the Bonds due in the Years 1788, 1789, and 1790, from the Inhabitants of <i>Washington</i> Coun- ty, for the Interest on the Money loaned them, of the Emission of <i>May</i> , 1786,	2906 0 8
By Cash received of <i>Edward Perry</i> , Collector of the Bonds due in the Year 1791, from the Inha- bitants of <i>Washington</i> County, for the Interest on the Money loaned them, of the Emission of <i>May</i> , 1786,	639 4 11
By Cash received from the County of <i>Bristol</i> , for Interest due from the Inhabitants, for the Money loaned them, of the Emission of <i>May</i> , 1786, for the Years 1787, 1788, 1789, and 1790,	588 14 4
By Cash received of <i>William Barton</i> , Collector of the Bonds due in the Year 1791, from the In- habitants of <i>Bristol</i> County, for the Interest on the Money loaned them, of the Emission of <i>May</i> , 1786,	68 19 11 $\frac{1}{4}$
By Cash received of <i>Jonathan Gorton</i> , Collector of the Bonds due from the Inhabitants of the County of <i>Kent</i> , for Interest on the Money loan- ed them, of the Emission of <i>May</i> , 1786, from <i>May</i> 8, 1788, to <i>December</i> 21st, 1791,	1973 5 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
By Amount of Tax ordered at <i>June</i> Session, A. D. 1786, payable <i>November</i> , 1786,	20000 0 0
By Amount of Tax ordered at <i>March</i> Session, A. D. 1787, payable <i>June</i> , 1793.	20000 0 0
By Amount of Tax ordered at <i>September</i> Session, A. D. 1787, payable <i>January</i> , 1788,	30000 0 0
	By

By Amount of Tax ordered at <i>June</i> Session, A. D.	
1788, payable <i>December</i> , 1788,	£.30000 0 0
By Amount of Tax ordered at <i>March</i> Session,	
A. D. 1789, payable <i>June</i> , 1789,	20000 0 0
By Cash received of the Inhabitants of the State,	
for the Balance of Interest due on their Bonds	
when they took up their Mortgage Deeds for	
the Money loaned them, of the Emission of	
<i>May</i> , 1786, as per Memorandum Book, called	
Letter A,	870 4 10 $\frac{3}{4}$
By a Charge made for the Amount of Petty Charges,	
which is entered in the Specie Account,	15 19 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
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	£ 202,335 18 3 $\frac{1}{4}$
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IN Conformity to our Appointment by the Honorable the General Assembly, at *June* Session A. D. 1792, we have carefully examined the Books and Vouchers of the General-Treasurer, and do report, That on the foregoing Account there appears to be a Balance due to the State, of *Six Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty-three Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Three Pence one Farthing*, Paper Money, of the Emission of *May*, 1786 ; which we have consolidated at the Rate of Fifteen for One, and charged the Amount thereof to the said *Joseph Clarke*, in his Silver Money Account, which we herewith present. And furthermore, that we find, and have selected the Sum of *One Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-four Pounds, Four Shillings and Sixpence*, Lawful Money, Principal, in State Notes, of the Value of *Ten Pounds*, and less, that have been received into the Treasury, in Payment of Taxes.

ALL which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	} Committee.
HENRY SHERBURNE,	
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,	
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,	

Newport, *October* 5, 1792.

WHICH, being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit*:

Dr.

Dr. the State of Rhode-Island's Specie Account, with Joseph Clarke,
General-Treasurer.

To Cash paid as per Alphabetical Book, from October, 1791 to
September 19, 1792, to wit:

To Amount of Cash paid, as per Letter A,	£.	141	2	11 $\frac{3}{4}$
To Do.	B,	151	9	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
To Do.	C,	710	1	5 $\frac{1}{4}$
To Do.	D,	179	17	9
To Do.	E,	187	17	2 $\frac{3}{4}$
To Do.	F,	278	17	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
To Do.	G,	249	17	7 $\frac{3}{4}$
To Do.	H,	454	6	2
To Do.	I,	12	0	0
To Do.	K,	18	12	8
To Do.	L,	13	18	5
To Do.	M,	169	19	10 $\frac{5}{8}$
To Do.	N,	48	13	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
To Do.	O,	397	3	10 $\frac{5}{8}$
To Do.	P,	517	7	7
To Do.	R,	124	7	6
To Do.	S,	381	10	1
To Do.	T,	311	7	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
To Do.	U,	21	9	0
To Do.	W,	216	19	1 $\frac{3}{4}$
To Do.	Y,	6	12	0
1792. } Oct. 4. }	To Amount of Petty Charges,	15	19	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To my Salary to May, 1786,	240	0	0
	To Do. Do. 1787,	240	0	0
	To Do. Do. 1788,	240	0	0
	To Do. Do. 1789,	240	0	0
	To Do. Do. 1790,	240	0	0
	To Do. Do. 1791,	240	0	0
	To Do. Do. 1792,	240	0	0
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		£.	6289	9 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
5.	Balance due the State, in Silver Money,	196	14	3 $\frac{3}{4}$
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		£.	6486	4 2 $\frac{1}{4}$
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Creditor.

By State Tax ordered at June Session, A.D.
1791, payable the 1st December follow-
ing,

£.6000 0 0

By Interest received of divers Towns, on
the Tax ordered at June Session, A. D.
1761,

3 17 8 $\frac{1}{4}$
1792.

1792. } By Balance due the State, as per Account	
Oct. 3. } now exhibited, of the Paper Money e-	
mitted in June, 1789, and funded on	
real Estate,	£. 56 14 7½
By Balance due the State as per Account	
now exhibited of the Paper Money, e-	
mitted in May, 1786, £. 6383 18 3½,	
which at 15 for 1 is in Silver Money	425 11 10½
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	£. 6486 4 2½
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IN Obedience to our Appointment by the Honorable the General Assembly, at June Session, 1792, we have with Care examined the Books and Vouchers of the General-Treasurer, and do report, That on the Account above stated, there appears to be a Balance of *One Hundred and Ninety-six Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Three Pence Three Farthings*, lawful Silver Money, due to the State.

Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	} Committee.
HENRY SHERBURNE,	
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,	
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,	

Newport, October 5, 1792.

WHICH, being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account and Report thereon, *to wit* :

Dr. The State of *Rhode-Island's* old Continental Money Account, with *Joseph Clarke*, General-Treasurer.

1791. } To Cash paid <i>George Champlin</i> , and <i>Robert</i>	
July. } <i>N. Auchmuty</i> , who were appointed by	
the General-Assembly, at June Session,	
1791, to receive all the old Continental	
Money in my Office, and loan the same	
to the United States, which Sum of	
7. 38556 2 7½, was included in the	
453800 Dollars then delivered them,	
which they loaned, agreeable to Order,	
and deposited the Loan-Office Certifi-	
cates that they received therefor with me, £. 38556 2 7½	
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	£. 38556 2 7½
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Creditor.

October, 1792.

Creditor.

1786. } By Balance of Account this Day adjusted,
 Feb. 8. } as per last Audit, £. 38556 2 7½

IN VIRTUE of our Appointment by the Honorable the General Assembly, at *June* Session, A. D. 1792, we have carefully examined the above stated Account, and do report, That the Balance in the Treasurer's Hands at the Audit of his Accounts in *February*, A. D. 1786, was paid with other Continental Money, in *July*, 1791, to the Committee appointed in Behalf of this State, to Loan the same to the United States.

WHICH is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
 HENRY SHERBURNE,
 ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,
 CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit* :

Dr. the State of *Rhode-Island's* Account for the Money emitted in *June*, A. D. 1780, funded on real Estate, with *Joseph Clarke*, General-Treasurer.

1786. } Feb. 8. }	To Amount of Bills burnt by the Committee who audited and reported my Accounts this Day, Principal Sum,	3530 0 0¼
1792. } Oct. 2. }	To Amount of Bills burnt by the Committee this Day, Principal Sum,	90 7 0
3.	Balance due the State, which is charged to the Treasurer, in his Silver Money Account this Day,	56 14 7½
		£. 3677 1 7½

Creditor.

By Cash received in Taxes, from the Year 1783 to 1786, in Lieu of Silver and Gold, Principal Sum, £. 3530 0 0¼
 1786.

1786. } By Balance of Account this Day adjusted,	
Feb. 8. } as per last Audit,	£. 56 14 7 $\frac{1}{4}$
1792. } By Cash received in Taxes since the last	
Oct. 2. } Audit, in Lieu of Specie, Principal Sum,	90 7 0
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	£. 3677 1 7 $\frac{1}{4}$
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AGREEABLY to our Appointment by the Honorable the General Assembly, at *June* Session, A. D. 1792, we have carefully examined the Books and Vouchers of the General-Treasurer, and do report, That of the foregoing Account the Committee who audited the Treasurer's Accounts in *February* A. D. 1786, burnt the Sum of *Three Thousand Five Hundred and Thirty Pounds* Principal, and that we the present Committee have burnt the Sum of *Ninety Pounds Seven Shillings*, Principal, which has been received since the last Audit. And that the above stated Balance of *Fifty-six Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Seven Pence One Farthing*, lawful Money, we have charged to the said *Joseph Clarke*, in his Silver Money Account, herewith presented,

WHICH is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	} Committee,
HENRY SHERBURNE,	
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,	
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,	

Newport, October 5, 1792.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account and Report thereon, *to wit*.

Dr. the State of *Rhode-Island's* Account for the Emission of Paper Money, ordered by Congress, in *March*, A. D. 1780, with *Joseph Clarke*, General-Treasurer.

1792. } To Balance due to the State in my Hands,	
Oct 3. } as entered on the Credit Side of this	
	Account.
	£. 18490 14 10 $\frac{3}{4}$
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Creditor.

1786. } By Balance in my Hands, as per Report	
Feb. 8 } of the Committee made to the Assem-	
	bly, <i>February</i> Session, A. D. 1786,
	18490 14 10 $\frac{3}{4}$
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	In

October, 1792.

IN Obedience to our Appointment by the Honorable the General Assembly at June Session, A. D. 1792, we have examined the above stated Account, and do report, That there now is in the Hands of *Joseph Clarke*, General-Treasurer, the Sum of *Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence Three Farthings*, lawful Money, of the Emission ordered by Congress, in March, A. D. 1780.

Which is submitted, by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
HENRY SHERBURNE,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

Newport, October 5, 1792.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account and Report thereon, *to wit* :

Dr. the State of *Rhode-Island's* Account for the Paper Money emitted by the State, in May, 1786, lodged in the Treasury, for Tenders, with *Joseph Clarke*, General-Treasurer.

To Amount of Paper Money paid the following Persons, per Acts of Assembly, for Money lodged in the Office, *to wit* :

To Edmund Brown, Money lodged for <i>John Coggeshall</i> ,	£. 7	12	6
<i>Joseph Smith</i> , Do. for <i>Cyprian Sterry</i> ,	59	6	9
<i>John Easton</i> , Do. for <i>Caleb Aldrich</i> ,	135	0	0
<i>John Slocum</i> , Do. for <i>William Brown</i> ,	25	13	0
<i>Samuel Winsor</i> , Do. for <i>Nathan Pain</i> ,	222	0	0
<i>Allen and Rachel Fry</i> , Do. for <i>Clarke and Nightingale</i> ,	131	12	6
<i>Ebenezer Trask</i> , Do. for <i>Solomon Lapham</i> ,	70	7	0
<i>Henry Northup</i> , Do. for <i>Nicholas Northup</i> ,	36	16	0
<i>Israel Shaw</i> , Do. for <i>Ruth Bailey</i> ,	72	0	0
<i>Benoni Peckham</i> , Do. for <i>Esther Sanford</i> ,	85	10	0
1792. } Balance now in the Treasury, of the			
O.S. 4. } Tender Money,	12669	2	4
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	£. 13515	0	1
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Creditor.

Creditor.

1787. } By Cash of <i>William T. Miller</i> , one Jan. 11. } of the Justices Court Common Pleas, <i>Bristol</i> County, for Money lodged with him,	£.21 19 0
Jan. 28. By Do. of <i>Robert Stanton</i> , one of the Justices Court Common Pleas, <i>Wash-</i> <i>ington</i> County,	125 14 3
March 9. By Do. of <i>Stephen Potter</i> , one of the Jus- tices Superior Court,	1761 7 0
13. By Do. of <i>Thomas Gorton</i> , one of the Justices Court Common Pleas <i>Kent</i> ,	22 10 0
April 16. By Do. of <i>Elkanah Humphrey</i> , Do. Do. <i>Bristol</i> ,	83 8 9
May 5. By Do. of <i>Caleb Harris</i> , Do. Do. <i>Pro-</i> <i>vidence</i> ,	716 9 0
10. By Do. of <i>Robert Taylor</i> , Do. Do. <i>Newport</i> ,	64 9 0
30. By Do. of <i>William Richmond</i> , Do. Do. <i>Newport</i> ,	587 7 9
June 11. By Do. of <i>Jonathan Freeborn</i> , Do. Do. <i>Newport</i> ,	20 1 3
12. By Do. of <i>Sylvester Gardner</i> , Do. Do. <i>Washington</i> ,	912 0 0
13. By Do. of <i>Richard Steere</i> , Do. Do. <i>Pro-</i> <i>vidence</i> ,	357 0 0
15. By Do. of <i>Gilbert Devol</i> , one of the Jus- tices Superior Court,	93 0 0
21. By Do. of <i>Joseph Hazard</i> , Do. Do. By Do. of <i>Robert Stanton</i> one of the Justices Court Common Pleas <i>Wash-</i> <i>ington</i> ,	796 16 2
July 21. By Do. of <i>William Greene</i> , Do. Do. <i>Kent</i> ,	99 6 0
24. By Do. of <i>Paul Mumford</i> , one of the Justices Superior Court,	77 5 0
Aug. 16. By Do. of <i>Ebenezer Thompson</i> , one of the Justices Court Common Pleas <i>Pro-</i> <i>vidence</i> ,	672 9 6
25. By Do. of <i>Robert Stanton</i> , Do. Do. <i>Washington</i> ,	368 8 6
Oct. 18. By Do. of <i>Jonathan Freeborn</i> , Do. Do. <i>Newport</i> ,	80 0 0
Dec. 25. By Do. of <i>Elkanah Humphrey</i> , Do. Do. <i>Bristol</i> ,	130 18 0
1788. } By Do. of <i>Edward Wells</i> , Do. Do. <i>Wash-</i> April 3. } <i>ington</i> ,	617 18 0
May 8. By Do. of <i>Stephen Arnold</i> , Do. Do. <i>Kent</i> ,	35 9 0
April 30. By Do. of <i>Sylvester Gardner</i> , Do. Do. <i>Washington</i> ,	71 16 11
	348 14 0
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May 8.	By Do. of <i>Abraham Matthewson</i> , Do. Do. <i>Providence</i> ,	151	18	7
9.	By Do. of <i>Robert Stanton</i> , Do. Do. <i>Washington</i> ,	167	0	0
29.	By Do. of <i>Jonathan Freeborn</i> , Do. Do. <i>Newport</i> ,	161	10	0
June 10.	By Do. of <i>James Miller</i> , Do. Do. <i>Bristol</i> ,	5	14	6
July 8.	By Do. of <i>Thomas Gorton</i> , Do. Do. <i>Kent</i> ,	4	11	8
12.	By Do. of <i>Abraham Matthewson</i> , Do. Do. <i>Providence</i> ,	175	8	0
Aug. 27.	By Do. of <i>Anthony Low</i> , Do. Do. <i>Kent</i> ,	60	0	0
Sept. 6.	By Do. of <i>Sylvester Gardner</i> , Do. Do. <i>Washington</i> ,	63	17	0
18.	By Do. of <i>Stephen Potter</i> , one of the Justices Superior Court,	999	9	3
Nov. 6.	By Do. of <i>Abraham Matthewson</i> , one of the Justices Court Common Pleas <i>Providence</i> ,	269	10	0
20.	By Do. of <i>Sylvester Gardner</i> , Do. Do. <i>Washington</i> ,	130	10	0
1789. }	By Do. of <i>Jonathan Freeborn</i> , Do. Do.			
Jan. 29. }	<i>Newport</i> ,	149	3	0
31.	By Do. of <i>Abraham Matthewson</i> , Do. Do. <i>Providence</i> ,	153	9	0
Feb. 23.	By Do. of <i>Stephen Potter</i> , one of the Justices Superior Court,	331	2	0
May 5.	By Do. of <i>Abraham Matthewson</i> , one of the Justices Court Common Pleas <i>Providence</i> ,	419	6	0
7.	By Do. of <i>Robert Stanton</i> , Do. Do. <i>Washington</i> ,	113	0	0
8.	By Do. of <i>Walter Cooke</i> , one of the Jus- tices Superior Court,	48	0	0
Oct. 21.	By Do. of <i>Robert Stanton</i> , one of the Justices Court Common Pleas <i>Washington</i> ,	211	7	0
1790. }	By Do. of <i>Jonathan Freeborn</i> , Do. Do.			
Jan. 23. }	<i>Newport</i> ,	80	15	0
May 6.	By Do. of <i>Stephen Potter</i> , one of the Jus- tices Superior Court,	1543	14	0
Sept. 6.	By Do. of <i>Simeon Clarke</i> , Do. Do.	181	8	0
1791. }	By Do. of <i>James Miller</i> , one of the Jus- Dec. 15. }			
	tices Court Common Pleas <i>Bristol</i> ,	20	0	0
		<hr/> £. 13515 0 1 <hr/>		

IN VIRTUE of our Appointment by the Honorable the General Assembly, at June Session, A. D. 1792, we have examined the Books of the General-Treasurer, and do report, that on the above Account

count there appears to be in the Hands of the said *Joseph Clarke*, the Sum of *Twelve Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty-nine Pounds Two Shillings and Four Pence*, of the Money emitted in *May, 1786*, lodged for Tenders, by divers Persons, with the Judges of various Courts, and by them deposited in the General-Treasury.

Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, HENRY SHERBURNE, ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,	}	Commit- tee.
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Newport, October 5, 1792.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit*:

Dr. The State of *Rhode-Island's* Account for the unloaned Money of the Emission of *May, 1786*, returned by the Trustees of divers Towns, with *Joseph Clarke*, General-Treasurer.

1788. } To Cash paid <i>Henry Littlefield</i> , per Or-	
<i>March 6.</i> } der of Assembly,	£. 125 0 0
1792. } Balance now in the Treasury, of the un-	
<i>Oct. 4.</i> } loaned Money,	3102 0 9
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	£. 3227 0 9
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Creditor.

1787. } By Cash of <i>William T. Miller</i> , and <i>Da-</i>	
<i>Feb. 17.</i> } <i>niel Cole</i> , Trustees for the Town of	
	<i>Warren,</i>
	£. 178 7 6
20. By Do. of <i>Thomas Coggeshall</i> , and <i>John</i>	
	<i>Gould</i> , Do. for <i>Middletown</i> ,
	18 0 1
	By Do. of <i>John Dexter</i> , and <i>John Lapham</i> ,
	Do. for <i>Cumberland</i> ,
	181 3 8
22. By Do. of <i>Joseph Crandal</i> , and <i>Christopher</i>	
	<i>Babcock</i> , Do. for <i>Westerly</i> ,
	82 4 6
23. By Do. of <i>Jeremiah Fenner</i> , one of the	
	Trustees for <i>Coventry</i> ,
	9 12 8
24. By Do. of <i>Josiah Colvin</i> , and <i>John Harris</i> ,	
	Trustees for <i>Scituate</i> ,
	338 12 0
<i>Mar. 2.</i> By Do. of <i>James Arnold</i> , and <i>George Olney</i> ,	
	Do. for <i>Providence</i> ,
	141 0 0
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14. By Do. of <i>George Peirce</i> , and <i>Joseph Reynolds</i> . Do. for <i>Exeter</i> .	81	0	0
Mar. 21. By Do. of <i>John Smith</i> , and <i>Stephen Winsor</i> , Do. for <i>Gloucester</i> ,	430	5	6
June 21. By Do. of <i>Stephen Jenckes</i> , and <i>Hope Angell</i> , Do. for <i>North-Providence</i> ,	101	14	0
By Do. of <i>Othniel Gorton</i> , one of the Trustees for <i>Warwick</i> ,	24	5	0
July 11. By Do. of <i>Stephen Hazard</i> , and <i>Samuel Potter</i> , Trustees for <i>South-Kingstown</i> ,	31	6	10
Aug. 18. By Do. of <i>Joseph Fry</i> , and <i>Thomas Tillinghast</i> , Do. for <i>East-Greenwich</i> ,	126	8	4
By Do. of <i>Nicholas Easton</i> , and <i>Thomas Freebody</i> , Do. for <i>Newport</i> ,	272	1	3
20. By Do. of <i>Stephen Knight</i> , and <i>Stephen Sprague</i> , Do. for <i>Cranston</i> ,	465	9	0
Sept. 10. By Do. of <i>Thomas Joslin</i> , and <i>Gideon Wait</i> , Do. for <i>West-Greenwich</i> ,	51	10	10
15. By Do. of <i>Thomas Holden</i> , one of the Trustees for <i>Warwick</i> ,	55	0	0
Nov. 14. By Do. of <i>Josiah Humphrey</i> , and <i>Nathaniel Martin</i> , Trustees for <i>Barrington</i> ,	210	3	2
Dec. 28. By Do. of <i>Nathaniel Fales</i> , and <i>Shearjashub Bourn</i> , Do. for <i>Bristol</i> ,	95	13	5
1788. } By Do. <i>Walter Cooke</i> , and <i>Abraham</i> Mar 29. } <i>Barker</i> , Do. for <i>Tiverton</i> ,	213	0	0
1789. } By Do. of <i>John Sayles</i> , one of the Trustees Oct. 12. } for <i>Smithfield</i> ;	120	3	0
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	£. 3227	0	9

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, by the Honorable the General Assembly, at June Session, A. D. 1792, we have examined the Books of the General-Treasurer, and do report, That on the Account above stated, there appears to be in the Hands of the said *Joseph Clarke*, the Sum of *Three Thousand One Hundred and Two Pounds and Nine Pence*, of the Money emitted by the State in *May*, A. D. 1786, lodged in the Treasury by the Trustees of divers Towns, that was unloaned.

WHICH is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, HENRY SHERBURNE, ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,	} Committee.
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Newport, October 5, 1792.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the late General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit*:

Dr. the State of *Rhode-Island*, in Account with *Joseph Clarke*, in his private Capacity.

		Dolls.	Cts.
1791. } Nov. 15. }	To Loss on re-weighing Gold received of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , Continental Loan Officer,	3	40
	To Cash paid <i>Jonathan J. Hazard</i> , per Order of Assembly,	300	0
	To Do. <i>Henry Sherburne</i> , per Do.	300	0
1792. } May 4. }	To Do. <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , per Order of Assembly		
	200 Dollars, and Interest $87\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars,	287	17
5. }	To Do. <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , per Order of Assembly,	£. 45	0 0
	To Do. Do. per Do.	10	13 9
	To Do. Do. per Do.	3	6 8 $\frac{1}{4}$
		£. 59	0 5 $\frac{3}{4}$

	Lawful Money is	195	74
	To Loss on re-weighing Gold received of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , Continental Loan-Officer,	1	37
Oct. 5.	To Balance now in the Hands of <i>Joseph Clarke</i> ,	284	95 $\frac{1}{2}$
	Dollars,	1373	63 $\frac{1}{2}$

Creditor.

		Dolls.	Cts.
1791. } Nov. 15. }	By Cash received of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , Loan-Officer, for Interest on Continental Certificates, by the Hands of <i>Jonathan J. Hazard</i> , 32 Ounces and 1 Pennyweight of Gold, amounting to	570	49
	By Cash received of Do. per Do. in Dollars and Crowns,	254	0
	By Cash received of Do. per Do. in small Change,	13 $\frac{1}{2}$	
1792. } May 5. }	By Cash received of Do. for Interest on old Continental Money,	179	40
	By Cash received of Do. for Interest on the 5th Quarter in Gold, Silver, and Orders of Assembly,	369	61
	Dollars,	1373	63 $\frac{1}{2}$

THE Subscribers, in Conformity to their Appointment, by the Honorable the General-Assembly at June Session, A. D. 1792, do report, That we have carefully examined the Books and Vouchers of

October, 1792.

of *Joseph Clarke*, relative to the above stated Account, and find that there now remains in his Hands, unappropriated, the Sum of *Two Hundred and Eighty-four Silver Dollars and Ninety-five Cents and One Half Cent*, for Interest received on Loan-Office Certificates: It also appears by the Books of the said *Joseph Clarke*, that he delivered by Order of the General-Assembly, unto *John Brown*, as Treasurer of the *Rhode-Island College*, the following Loan-Office Certificates, to wit: One for *1562 Dollars and 47 Cents*, bearing an Interest of Six per Cent. from *January 1, 1791*, One for *781 Dollars and 23 Cents*, bearing an Interest of Six per Cent. from *January 1, 1801*, and One for *421 Dollars and 79 Cents*, bearing an Interest of Six per Cent. from *January 1, 1791*.

And furthermore, your Committee find now in the Possession of the said *Joseph Clarke*, the following Loan-Office Certificates, which he holds in Trust, the Property of this State, to wit:

1 Certificate for *16830 Dollars and 22 Cents*, bearing an Interest of 6 per Cent. from *January 1, 1791*.

1 Do. for 2219 Do. and 28 Cents, Do. Do.

1 Do. for 2990 Do. and 1 Cent, Do. Do.

3 22039 Dollars 51 Cents.

1 Certificate for *8415 Dollars and 11 Cents*, bearing an Interest of 6 per Cent, from *January 1, 1801*,

1 Do. for 1218 Do. and 77 Cents, Do. Do.

1 Do. for 1495 Do. Do. Do.

3 11128 Dollars and 88 Cents.

1 Certificate for *4544 Dollars and 16 Cents*, bearing an Interest of 3 per Cent. from *January 1, 1791*,

1 Do. for 658 Do. and 21 Cents, Do. Do.

2 5202 Dollars and 37 Cents.

Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	} Committee.
HENRY SHERBURNE,	
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,	
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,	

Newport, October 5, 1792.

N. B. THE abovementioned Certificates delivered *John Brown*, was in full Payment of the Interest due to the Corporation of *Rhode-Island College*, to the 1st September, 1791, from the Securities they hold against the State.

Which being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*. That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS



WHEREAS it is the Duty of all Men, with grateful Hearts to offer up to Almighty God Thanksgiving and Praise for his great and manifold Mercies : And appoint-
ing a Day of
Thankgiv-
ing.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That Thursday the 29th Day of November, A.D. 1792, be appointed to be observed as a Day of Public Thanksgiving to Almighty God, for all the Blessings bestowed upon us; and particularly for his so favourably ordering and governing the Seasons of the Year, that there is Plenty of the Fruits of the Earth; for the Continuance of Peace and good Government; and for the general Advancement and Progress of Freedom, Learning, Commerce and Civilization in the World: And that his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to issue a Proclamation agreeably to this Resolve, calling upon the Inhabitants of this State to assemble together on that Day, in their usual Places of Public Worship, for the Purpose aforesaid; and recommending to them to abstain from all unnecessary secular Labour, and Diversions on that Day.



It is Voted and Resolved, That the following Persons be and they are hereby appointed to collect the Money due upon the Bonds taken for the Interest of the Bills of Credit emitted in May, A. D. 1786, to wit: The General-Treasurer for the County of Newport, John Sayles, Esq. for the County of Providence, Eliza R. Potter, Esq. for the County of Washington, William Barton, Esq. for the County of Bristol, and Jonathan Gorton, Esq. for the County of Kent, and pay the same into the General-Treasury: And that they be entitled to and receive the same Fees, as have been heretofore allowed for the like Services. Com. to col-
lect the In-
terest of the
Loan Money.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Forty-five Pounds, be allowed to Thomas Rumrell, Esq. on Account of his Services as Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office; that it be paid to him, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that he be accountable therefor. T. Rumrell
allowed £45.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, to wit :

Grand Committee's Office, Newport, October 29, 1792.

Report of
the Grand
Committee's
Office

THIS certifies, that I have received into the Grand Committee's Office, Forty-three Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds Two Shillings, in Discharge of the principal Sums due upon the Mort-

gage Deeds taken for the Bills of Credit emitted in May A. D. 1786.

THOMAS RUMREILL,
Keeper of said Office.

Which being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be and hereby is accepted.

Grant to the Heirs of R. Pomp. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the General-Treasurer issue his Note to the Administrator of the Estate of *Richard Pomp*, deceased, late a Soldier in One of the Continental Battalions raised by this State, agreeably to the Certificate from the Secretary's Office, ascertaining the Sum due to the said *Richard Pomp*.

Grant to the Heirs of E. Dodge. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the General-Treasurer issue his Note to the Administrator of the Estate of *Edward Dodge*, deceased, late a Soldier in One of the Continental Battalions raised by this State, agreeably to the Certificate from the Secretary's Office ascertaining the Sum due to the said *Edward Dodge*.

Report upon H. Bowen's Account. WHEREAS the following Report was made to this Assembly, to wit:

IN Pursuance of our Appointment, we have examined the Account of *Henry Bowen*, Town-Sergeant, of *Providence*, and find that there is a Balance due to him of *Sixteen Pounds Six Shillings and Three Pence*, Specie, which is submitted by,

ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,
NOAH MATHEWSON.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Sixteen Pounds Six Shillings and Three Pence*, be paid to the said *Henry Bowen*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Militia Bill referred to a Committee. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the Bill for regulating the Militia of this State, be and the same is hereby referred to *John Topham*, Esq. *John S. Dexter*, Esq. *Christopher Lippitt*, Esq. *William Arnold*, Esq. and *James Sheldon*, Esq. who are requested to take all Parts thereof into Consideration, and also the Rank which the Independent Companies in this State ought to take with the Militia Battalions; and that they report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Petition of B. and A. Chace, referred. *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the Petition of *Benjamin Chace*, and *Abner Chace*, praying that a Sum of Money by them tendered, to *Lucy Anne Coggeshall*, and lodged in the Hands of *Gilbert Devol*, Esq. then one of the Justices of the Superior Court, who never deposited

posited the same in the General-Treasury according to Law, may be repaid them, be referred to the next Session; that Col. *William Richmond* and Mr. *Samuel Elam*, be and hereby are appointed a Committee to take the said Petition into Consideration; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty Shillings* be allowed and paid, out of the General-Treasury, to *Theophilus Blackmar*, One of the Constables of *Scituate*, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of the Fees of himself and his Aid for apprehending and committing to Goal, *John Bird*, and *James Magallin*, who were convicted of Felony and unable to pay Costs. T. Blackmar allowed 20s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *John Sayles* and *Stephen Olney*, Esqrs, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to run the Lines between the Towns of *Smithfield* and *North-Providence*; that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session; and that no Expence accrue to the State thereon. Com. to run the Lines between Smithfield and N. Providence.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *John Maroney*, Esq. be and he is hereby appointed One of the Committee raised at *February* Session last, to decide upon the Claims for Drawbacks in the Office of *Ebenezer Thompson*, Esq. late Collector of the State's Revenue for the District of *Providence*, in the Room of *Jeremiah Olney*, Esq. who declined: And that the said Committee make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be. J. Maroney a Committee-Man on the Drawbacks.

UPON the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants of this State, praying that certain Obstructions to the Passage of Fish up *Pawtucket* River may be removed: Com. respecting the Fishery in Pawtucket River.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the subject Matter thereof be referred to *Daniel Owen*, Esq. *Caleb Aldrich*, Esq. and Mr. *Samuel Nightingale*; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the said Committee, in Case it shall appear necessary to them to prevent the erecting any further Obstructions, be and they are hereby empowered to cause the same to be discontinued. And the Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, and his Deputies, if called upon by the said Committee, are hereby directed to afford them Aid and Assistance in the Discharge of the Trust hereby confided to them.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Three Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Ray Greene*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for R. Greene allowed £3 3s.

October, 1792.

for Paper and Quills, and Attendance at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House.

T. Bennett al. *It is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed *£: 7s.* and paid to Mr. *Thomas Bennett*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for his Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

Time lengthened for filing Declarations and Answers to No. 10. WHEREAS by Reason of the Sitting of this Assembly the present Week, and of the Circuit Court within this State the ensuing Week, it has become necessary to lengthen the Time for filing Declarations and Answers to the Court of Common Pleas, to be holden at *Newport*, in *November*, A. D. 1792 :

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That Declarations may be filed at any Time before Four Days before the Meeting of the said Court, and Answers two Days before the Meeting thereof. Any Law to the Contrary notwithstanding.

Com. to burn Loan-Money. *It is Voted and Resolved, That George Champlin and Robert N. Auchmuty, Esqrs.* be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive all the Bills of Credit emitted by this State in *May*, A. D. 1786, in the Hands of the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, giving him a Receipt therefor, and burn the same; and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Adjournment. *It is Voted and Resolved, That* all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next Session: That the Secretary publish the Acts and Orders now made and passed, and transmit Copies of them to the Sheriffs of the several Counties by them to be delivered to the Town Clerks in their respective Counties: And that this Assembly be adjourned to the last *Monday* in *February* next, then to meet at the State-House in the County of *Kent*.

GOD save the United States of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED:

WITNESSES,

Henry Hart

PROVIDENCE: PRINTED BY BENNETT WHEELER.

February, 1793.

At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden, by Adjournment, at *East-Greenwich*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the last *Monday* in *February*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-three, and in the Seventeenth Year of Independence

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The HONORABLE

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Esq. Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq.	}	Assistants.
PELEG ARNOLD, Esq.		
JAMES ARNOLD, Esq.		
CALEB GARDNER, Esq.		
JOHN COOKE, Esq.		
JAMES CONGDON, Esq.		
THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq.		
THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq.		
JOHN HARRIS, Esq.		

The S E C R E T A R Y.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

The Honorable WILLIAM BRADFORD Esq. Speaker.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq.*
 John Topham, *Esq.*
 Henry Sherburne, *Esq.*
 Mr. Christopher Fowler.

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq.*
 Mr. Charles Lippitt,
 Robert Newell, *Esq.*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Mr. Robert Lawton,

WARWICK :

Jonathan Gorton, *Esq.*
 Mr. Moses Arnold,
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
 Mr. Gideon Arnold.

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas, *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Jonathan J. Hazard, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

James Sweet, *Esq.*
 Hopkins Cooke, *Esq.*

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Smith,
 Mr. Arnold Paine.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq.*

GLOCESTER :

Samuel Winfor, *Esq.*
 Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Peleg Crofs, *jun.*
 Mr. Robert Congdon.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Mr. Caleb Carr,
 Mr. Amos Jacqways.

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq.*
 Joseph Manchester, *Esq.*

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq.*
 Mr. Job Willcox, *jun.*

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

Mr. Speaker.

TIVERTON :

Abraham Barker, *Esq.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

None.

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton.

CUMBERLAND :

John S. Dexter, *Esq.*
 Mr. Jason Newell.

RICHMOND :

Thomas Telft, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Larkin.

CRANSTON :

Peter Stone, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*
 Mr. William Waterman.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith,
 Mr. Jeremiah Sayles.

BARRINGTON :

Joshua Bicknall, *Esq.*
 Josiah Humphry, *jun. Esq.*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

RAY GREENE, Esq. Clerk of the Lower House.

UPON the Petition of *Matthew Manchester*, late of *Cranston*, Grant to M. Manchester of
but now residing in *Providence*, Yeoman, representing, that forfeited Money.
on the Second Day of *May*, A.D. 1780, he deposited in the General-Treasury the Sum of *Seven Hundred and Ninety-Eight Pounds*, old Continental Money, which had been tendered to *Thomas Gould*, of *Warwick*, and refused by him; and that since he hath satisfied the Demands of the said *Thomas Gould*, in another Way; and praying the said Money may be restored to him:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed, to deliver to the said *Matthew Manchester* the Sum actually deposited by him as aforesaid.

UPON the Petition of the Freemen of the Town of *Exeter*, representing that some Years ago *John Whitford*, then Treasurer of the Grant to Ex-
said Town, lodged with *Sylvester Gardiner*, Esq. then a Justice of eter of for-
the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, *Seventy- feited Mo-
seven Pounds Three Shillings and Nine Pence*, Paper Currency, to dis- ney.
charge Three Notes of Hand due to *Pardon Tillinghast*, of *Exeter*, a- fore-
foresaid; which being refused by him was lodged in the General- said
Treasury; and that they have since paid the said *Pardon Tillinghast* in another Way; and praying that the said Money may be delivered to *Christopher Pierce*, Esq. for their Use:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed, to deliver to the said *Christopher Pierce*, so much Paper Currency as was actually lodged as aforesaid; to and for the Use of said Town.

THE following Report was presented unto this Assembly, to wit:

To the Honorable the General Assembly.

THE undersigned Commissioner, on the Part of the State for settling the Accounts of the United States, respectfully presents to the Legislature a Statement of the Additional Accounts against the Union, which were not comprised in those that were exhibited to the Continental Commissioners last *April*, amounting to *Four Hundred and Seventy-seven Thousand Six Hundred and Forty-nine Specie Dollars*, and *Fifty-three Cents*. In the present One is contained all the Advances made by the State within the Knowledge of your Commissioner, excepting the Payments made by the State for Interest on the Loan-Office Certificates and liquidated Debts of the United States, which amounts to *Seventy-eight Thousand Two Hundred and Eleven Specie Dollars*, exclusive of Interest, as appears by the Book of Issues of the late *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. which said Payments were made in Compliance with divers Resolutions of Congress. As much the greater Part of those Certificates have been called in by Taxes, and are now in the Treasury, your Commissioner thought it most prudent, for the Interest of the State to withhold the Charge from the present Statement until the
Opinion

Report on
the State Ac-
counts a-
gainst the U-
nion.

February, 1793.

Opinion of our Senators and Representative in Congress could be had thereon, and to whom he hath written fully on the Subject, knowing that there is sufficient Time given by the Congressional Act to transmit the Charge in another additional Account before the Period limited for the Commissioners to report will expire, and that the State cannot suffer by the Method pursued.

I am, your Honours
most obedient Servant,
HENRY SHERBURNE.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and hereby is accepted.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit* :

Report of the
Delivery of
the General
Treasury ;
and of the
funded and
deferred
Stock.

WE being appointed by the Honorable General Assembly at October Session, A. D. 1792, a Committee to receive all the Books, Documents, Papers, Money and Things in the Office of *Joseph Clark*, Esq. deceased, the late General-Treasurer of this State, and to deliver the same to *Henry Sherburne*, Esq. his Successor in that Office, do report, that we have received of Mrs. *Rebecca Clark*, Executrix of the last Will of the said *Joseph Clarke*, and have delivered to the said *Henry Sherburne*, the following Sums of Money, Notes, Books, Papers, Documents, &c. agreeably to his Receipt herewith presented, *to wit* :

<i>Abraham Wilcox's</i> Note for	£ 16	4	4	lawful Money.
<i>Thomas Clarke's</i> , Ditto,	113	12	5 $\frac{1}{4}$	
<i>Ray Sands's</i> , Ditto,	4	10	0	
<i>Benjamin Davis's</i> } (Town-Treasurer of } Ditto, <i>North-Kingstown</i>)	28	6	8	
<i>James Hill's</i> , Ditto,	16	10	0	
<i>Joseph and Thomas Case's</i> , Ditto,	20	0	0	
<i>George Taber's</i> , Ditto,	37	0	0	
<i>Joseph Sisson's</i> Ditto,	48	0	0	
<i>Stephen Pettis's</i> Ditto,	110	4	3	
<i>Samuel Fry's</i> Ditto,	18	0	0	
<i>John Warren's</i> Ditto,	108	0	10	
<i>JoEtan Putnam, John Har-</i> } <i>ris, and David Inman's</i> } Ditto,	82	11	8	
<i>George Irish's</i> Ditto	1500	Dollars.		
<i>Levi Ballou's</i> Ditto,	45	Ditto.		
<i>William Nichols's</i> Ditto,	50	Ditto.		
<i>Jesse Arnold's</i> Ditto,	50	Ditto.		
<i>Rufus Barton's</i> Ditto, for £ 217 0 0 old Conti-				
ental Money, Money in Specie, and in Paper Mo-				
ney reckoned at 15 for 1,	£196	14	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	

Money

Money emitted by this State in *May*, A.D. 1786, unloaned, and returned into the Treasury by the Trustees,

£ 3284 4 6

Money of the same Emission paid into the Treasury by the Judges, for Money tendered to divers Persons,

11934 11 11

Continental Money of *March*, A. D. 1780, commonly called 40 for 1 Money,

19254 18 4½

Old Continental Money, Paper Money emitted by this State, and State Notes lodged in the Treasury many Years past, for Tenders made to divers Persons,

7611 14 10½

State Notes of *Ten Pounds* and under, that have been paid into the Treasury for Taxes, and are to be delivered to the Proprietors of them ——— the principal Sum is

1200 4 3

State Notes belonging to divers Persons, lodged by them for Consolidation of the Paper Money Payments made thereon, which have not been delivered out ——— the principal Sum is

2864 18 4¾

One Iron Chest, one large Trunk, three Wooden Chests, one Box, one Case, with all the Books, Documents, Papers, and other Things belonging to said Office.

Your Committee further report, that we have received of the said Executrix, the following Loan-Office Certificates, which the said *Joseph Clarke* held in Trust for the State, and have delivered them to *Henry Sherburne*, Esq. who was appointed to receive the same in Trust for the State, as per his Receipt, which we herewith present, *to wit* :

	<i>Dolls. Cts.</i>
Three Certificates bearing Interest at 6 per Cent. from <i>January</i> 1, A. D. 1791,	22039 51
Three Certificates bearing Interest at 6 per Cent. from <i>January</i> 1, A. D. 1801,	11128 88
Two Certificates bearing Interest at 3 per Cent. from <i>January</i> 1, 1791,	5202 37

Your Committee further report, that we have received of the said Executrix all the Specie remaining in her Hands, that was received by the said *Joseph Clarke* for the State, arising from the Interest of the Loan-Office Certificates held by him in Trust for the State, and have delivered the same to the said *Henry Sherburne*, Esq. to hold in Trust for the State, amounting to *Two Hundred and Twenty-seven Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Two Pence Three Farthings*, as per his Receipt herewith presented.

ALL which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER.

Newport, November 10, 1792.

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ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be and the same is hereby accepted; and that the General-Treasurer give Notice to the Persons from whom the said Notes are by the said Report due; ascertain the Justice and Value of the said Demands; and that he make Report to this Assembly, as soon as may be.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit*:

Report of the
Com. who
burnt Loan-
Money.

WE being appointed by the Honorable General Assembly, at the Session in *October*, A. D. 1792, a Committee to receive of the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, all the Bills of Credit emitted by this State upon Loan, A. D. 1786, and burn the same, have in Conformity to our Appointment received of *Thomas Rumreill*, Esq. Keeper of that Office, *Forty-five Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-six Pounds Seven Shillings*, in the aforesaid Bills of Credit, and have burnt the same.

WHICH is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER.

AND the said Report being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same be and hereby is accepted.

Receipt for
the Votes for
President and
Vice-President.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Receipt given by the President of the Senate of the United States for the List of Votes of the Electors of this State for President and Vice-President of the United States, be lodged on File in the Secretary's Office.

UPON Motion of the Deputies of the Towns of *Smithfield*, and *Cumberland*,

Smithfield and
Cumberland
to repair
Highways
by Taxes.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That in future the Freemen of the said Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*, in their respective Town-Meetings legally assembled, be and they are hereby authorised and empowered to assess, levy and collect such Tax and Taxes for repairing the Highways in the said Towns respectively, as their respective Town Meetings shall think necessary; and to appropriate the same accordingly. Any Law or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

R. Smith allowed
£ 6
13s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to *Richard Smith*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon the Courts, delivering Commissions and Proclamations, &c.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS it appears to this Assembly, that the Second and Third Paragraphs of an Act passed at the Session held in February, A. D. 1792, entitled "An Act further regulating Proceedings in the Superior Court, and Courts of Common Pleas in this State," have in their Operation proved very injurious : Law further regulating Appeals repealed.

THEREFORE, be it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the said Second and Third Paragraphs of the said Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Laws regulating Appeals which were in Force before the enacting of the said Two Paragraphs, be in full Force in all Cases of Appeals.

IT is Ordered, That this Act be published in all the Newspapers in the State.



UPON the Petition of Daniel Tillinghast, of Providence, Yeoman, representing, that in March, A. D. 1780, he lodged with Edward Perry, Esq. then Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature for the then County of Kings-County (now Washington) One Thousand Four Hundred and Ninety-one Pounds Twelve Shillings and Four Pence, in Continental Bills of the old Emission, to discharge a Judgment of said Court, in Favour of Simeon Potter, Esq. given at April Term, A. D. 1779, which was refused by said Potter; and that he hath since paid the said Judgment in another Manner; and praying that the said Money may be restored to him : Grant to Daniel Tillinghast of forfeited Money.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay unto the said Daniel Tillinghast, the Money by him actually lodged in the General-Treasury, on Account of the aforesaid Judgment.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Three Pounds be allowed and paid to Mr. Henry Barber, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Printing done for the State to the present Time. H. Barber allowed £ 3.

THE Committee appointed by this General Assembly, at the last Session, upon the Petition of John Brown, Esq. presented unto this Assembly the following Report, to wit :

IN Pursuance of our Appointment, we have considered the Matters set forth in Mr. John Brown's Petition, which prays this Assembly to repay him the Money he hath advanced for the Purchase and Repairs of the Estate he bought of the State, that belonged to George Rome, Report upon G. Rome's Estate at the Point in Newport.

February, 1793.

Rome, or to clear the said Estate of the Incumbrance it is now under, and have treated with the Society of Friends respecting their Claims upon the said Estate, who exhibited to us an Account of their Demands, which we herewith present, amounting, including the estimated Value of the Fee of the Lots, to *Ninety-three Pounds Fourteen Shillings*, Specie; on the Payment of which Sum, the Committee of the said Society will give a Quit-Claim or Deed of the said Estate. If this Mode of Adjustment meets the Approbation of the Honorable General Assembly, the Incumbrance on the said Estate will be removed, and Mr. *Brown* may enter into Possession of it immediately.

ALL which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY.

February 25, 1793.

To the Honorable the General Assembly.

WHICH being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted; that *Henry Sherburne*, and *William Channing*, Esqrs. receive of the Committee of the said Society of Friends, a Deed, executed in due Form of Law, of the said Estate; that thereupon the said *Henry Sherburne* pay to the said Committee of the said Society the aforesaid Sum of *Ninety-three Pounds Fourteen Shillings*, Specie, out of the Money in his Hands arising from the Interest of Loan-Office Certificates belonging to the State: And that the said *Henry Sherburne*, and *William Channing* deliver the Deed they shall so receive, to the said *John Brown*.

S Phillips
allowed
£9. 11s.

AGREEABLY to the Report of a Committee, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Nine Pounds Eleven Shillings*, be allowed and paid to Mr. *Samuel Phillips*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, in full Compensation of his Account for Cloaths provided for and boarding *Tony Rome*, a State's Pauper, to the 11th of February, Instant.

H. Sherburne
to give Bond
as Trustee of
the Loans.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Henry Sherburne*, Esq. in whose Name the Continental Funds belonging to this State are held and loaned, give Bond to the State in the Sum of *Forty Thousand Dollars*, for the faithful Performance of the Trust reposed in him; and that the said Bond be lodged in the Secretary's Office.

Com. to au-
dit the Ac-
counts of the
Directors of

ON Application of Messrs. *Simon Whipple*, *Elisha Waterman*, and *Jeremiah Scott*, Directors of the Lottery granted to raise a Sum of Money for repairing the Bridge built across *Pawtucket River*, called *Whipple's Bridge*,

It is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. Holliman Potter and Christopher Whipple, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit and adjust the Accounts of the said Directors; that they report as soon as may be, the Balance which shall appear due upon such Audit and Adjustment; and that the same be done without any Expence to the State.

Whipple-
Bridge.
Lottery.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to enquire into the Facts set forth in the Petition of *William Hall*, of *North-Kingstown*, claiming *London Hall*, who enlisted into Col. *Greene's* Battalion, as his Slave, and praying for an Allowance on that Account, presented unto this Assembly the following Report, *to wit*:

Report upon
the Petition
of *W. Hall*,
for an Allow-
ance for *Lon-
don Hall*.

To the Honorable the General Assembly.

HAVING fully considered the Evidence offered by the Petitioner, in Support of his Claim, and the Circumstances attending the same, report, that in their Opinion, the said *London Hall*, at the Time of his said Enlistment, was not a Slave.

WHICH is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
HENRY SHERBURNE,
JOHN S. DEXTER. } Committee.

East-Greenwich, March 1, 1793.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be and hereby is accepted.

BOTH Houses being resolved into a grand Committee, chose

Ruffell Maxson, Ensign of the Second Company of Infantry, in the Town of *Hopkinton*, in the Room of *Clarke Burdick*, deceased. Officer elected.

WHEREAS the following Account was laid before this Assembly, *to wit*: *R. Clarke* allowed £ 427 12s. 7½

The State of *Rhode-Island*, &c. Dr. to the Estate of *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. deceased, late General-Treasurer.

To Balances due from the several Towns undermentioned in the State Tax, ordered in June, A. D. 1791, the full Amount of which was charged by the Committee in the Accounts audited in October last, *to wit*:

<i>Westerly</i> ,	-	-	-	-	£ 23	18	8
<i>North-Kingstown</i> ,	-	-	-	-	123	14	7½
<i>South-Kingstown</i> ,	-	-	-	-	124	6	0¼
	C				To		

February, 1793.

To Two Payments made <i>Mary Thurston</i> , on Account of an Order granted her by the General Assembly, which were not charged in the Accounts audited, as above-mentioned, the first Payment £ 90, Paper Money, made <i>April 25</i> , 1792, the Second, £ 225, Paper Money, made <i>May 24</i> , 1792,	£ 21 0 0
To so much paid by <i>John Coggeshall</i> , Collector of Taxes for <i>Middletown</i> , <i>April 28</i> , 1792, on Account of the Note due from the State to <i>Abigail Barker</i> , and indorsed thereon, which was not charged in the Account audited as aforesaid,	30 0 0
To his Salary from <i>May 2</i> , 1792, to <i>October 9</i> last, being 5 Months and 7 Days, at £ 240 per Year,	104 13 4
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	£ 427 12 7½

Newport, February 22, 1793.

Errors excepted,

REBECCA CLARKE, Executrix.

WHICH being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Account be allowed; that *Four Hundred and Twenty-seven Pounds Twelve Shillings and Seven Pence Halfpenny*, being the Amount thereof, be paid to *Mrs. Rebecca Clarke*, Executrix of the said *Joseph Clarke*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Account of
J. Clarke, de-
ceased, as
Trustee for
Loan Office
Certificates.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. deceased, as Trustee for the Loan-Office Certificates belonging to the State, reported the following Statement of that Account, *to wit* :

THE Estate of *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. deceased, in his private Capacity, Dr. to the State of *Rhode-Island, &c.*

To Balance due to the State, as per Adjustment reported the General Assembly at the last Session, 284 Dolls. 95 ¼ Cents,	£85 9 8
To Cash short credited the State for the Interest on the Loan-Office Certificates received by <i>Jonathan J. Hazard</i> , Esq. of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , Esq. Commissioner of Loans, by Virtue of the said <i>Joseph Clarke</i> 's Letter of Attorney, <i>November 14</i> , A.D. 1791, 149 Dolls. 66½ Cents,	44 18 0

To

To Cash received of the said *Jabez Bowen* for Interest,
as appears by the said *Joseph Clarke's* Receipt, dated
May 4 1792, 324 Dollars, 76 Cents, which was not
credited in the abovementioned Adjustment,

£97 8 6 $\frac{3}{4}$
£227 16 2 $\frac{3}{4}$

Creditor.

1792. } By Cash paid to Messrs. *George Champlin*,
Nov. 10. } *Robert N. Auchmuty*, and *Christopher Fowler*, the State's Committee, and by them
delivered to *Henry Sherburne, Esq.*
Dec. 10. By Ditto, being the Balance,

£115 5 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
112 10 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
£227 16 2 $\frac{3}{4}$

Which being duly considered; *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the
said Report be accepted; and that the said Account stand balanced.



WHEREAS divers Sums of Money in the Bills of Credit emitted in *May*, A. D. 1786, tendered to several Persons, and by them refused, have in Pursuance of the Act passed for the Emission of the said Money, been lodged in the General-Treasury, which are not accompanied with stated Accounts from the Officers who lodged the same, shewing of whom and on what Account it was received:

Act respecting Money lodged in the Gen. Treasury, for Tenders.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to call on each of the Judges who lodged the same, and in Case of the Death of any of them, upon their Representatives, forthwith to render unto him an Account, stating the Amount of each Sum by him received, from whom and to whose Use the same was received, and the Expences attending each Lodgment.



It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer cause an Action forthwith to be commenced on the Bond now in his Office, given by *John Sayles*, and *Andrew Waterman*, Esqrs. to the General-Treasurer, as Trustees for the Town of *Smithfield*, for that Town's Proportion of the Bills of Credit emitted in *May*, A. D. 1786: And that he call upon the Collectors of Money due upon the Interest Bonds of the aforesaid Emission, for the Sums due from them. And in Case of Failure of Payment the Attorney-General, upon the Application of the General-Treasurer, is hereby directed to commence Actions against the Delinquents.

Gen. Treasurer to call upon the Collectors of Interest Bonds.

AND

February, 1793.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That in the Adjustment of the Accounts of *Edward Perry*, Esq. one of the said Collectors, he be allowed the Cost expended in the Prosecution of the Bonds against *Ross Coon* and *Caleb Church*, and be credited the Amount of them upon their being returned to the General-Treasurer

THE following Account was exhibited to this Assembly, to wit :

Account of
J. Clarke for
Taxes due
from several
Towns.

The State of *Rhode-Island*, to the Estate of *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. deceased, late General-Treasurer, Dr.

To a Balance due from the Town of <i>Exeter</i> , for			
Nov. State Tax, A. D. 1780, Continental Money,	£422	8	2
To Ditto, <i>North-Providence</i> , Ditto,	770	0	0
To Ditto, <i>South-Kingstown</i> , Ditto,	1020	5	8
To Ditto, <i>Exeter</i> , State Tax, A. D. 1781, new			
Emission,		2	7 7½

Errors excepted,
per *REBECCA CLARKE*, Executrix.

WHEREUPON, It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer write to the Treasurers of the Towns which are in Arrear for their Taxes as aforesaid, and report such Information as he shall obtain to this Assembly as soon may be.

Patty Rhophey's Petition.

WHEREAS *Patty Rhophey*, Widow of *Christopher Rhophey*, late a Serjeant in this State's Brigade, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that by his Death she and her Family have been left entirely destitute of Support, and are now in Want of the common Necessaries of Life; and that there are no Debts due from or to her said Husband, excepting a Balance reported to be due to him on Account of the Depreciation of his Wages, which by Reason that she cannot procure Bondsmen to enable her to take out Letters of Administration, she cannot command: And thereupon the said *Patty Rhophey* prayed this Assembly to authorise her to receive the said Balance, and to execute proper Discharges therefor.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Petition be and the same is hereby granted.



An ACT permitting Theatrical Entertainments in the Town of *Newport*.

Theatrical
Entertain-
ments per-
mitted in
Newport.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the Town-Council of *Newport* be and they are hereby empowered to grant Permission for Theatrical

rical Entertainments within the said Town of *Newport*, under such Regulations as shall be prescribed by them. Any Law, Custom, or Usage to the Contrary notwithstanding. *Provided always*, that the State-House in said Town shall not be made Use of for those Purposes.



It is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirteen Pounds Four Shillings and Eight Pence* be allowed, and paid to *Nehemiah Knight, Esq.* Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Wood provided for and Attendance upon this Assembly, and the Superior Court, and Courts of Common Pleas in that County, &c.

N. Knight allowed £13 4s. 8d.

UPON the Petition of *John Watson*, of *South-Kingstown* (Son of *Jeffery*) representing that in the Year 1786 he took a Lease from the General-Treasurer of a Tract of Land lying in *South-Kingstown*, then in Possession of the State, which had been the Property of *Richard Gardner*, of *South-Kingstown* aforesaid, that the said *Richard Gardner* having afterwards redeemed the said Land, was empowered by this Assembly to receive the Rents, which were accordingly paid to him: And that, notwithstanding, the General-Treasurer hath obtained a Judgment against him for the same Rents: And praying that the said Judgment may be annulled, &c.

J. Watson's Petition referred.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Petition be referred to the next Session: That in the mean Time the said *Richard Gardner* be cited to appear then and answer the same if he see Cause; the Petitioner giving a Prosecution Bond in the Secretary's Office; And that during said Term all Proceedings on the said Judgment be stayed.

WHEREAS there is Interest due on the Funds of the *Rhode-Island* College or University, placed in the General-Treasury, and there is no Money in the General-Treasury to discharge the same:

Grant to the College.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That *Henry Sherburne, Esq.* who is Trustee for the State's Loan-Office Certificates, pay unto the Treasurer of the said College, or University, one Year's Interest due on the said Funds, out of the Interest Money received by him on the said Loan-Office Certificates.

UPON the Petition of *Jeremiah Hill*, of *Newport*, representing that the late General-Treasurer issued to him a State Note, dated April 20, A. D. 1785, No. 57, for *Twenty-one Pounds and Nine Pence Halfpenny*, which was reported to be due to him from the Estate of *Joseph and William Wanton*, Absentees: That he received the same agreeably to Law, in the Bills of Credit issued by this State,

Grant to *J. Hill*.

State, and delivered up his Note: And that pursuant to the Act passed in *June*, A. D. 1791, he hath applied at the General-Treasurer's Office for his said Note, but could not obtain the same:— And it appearing by a Certificate from the General-Treasurer that the said Note is not to be found in his Office:

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to issue a new Note to the said *Jeremiah Hill*, for such Sum as would have been due on the Note lost as aforesaid, upon his giving Security to the Satisfaction of the General-Treasurer, to indemnify the State from any Demand upon Account of the said Note, so lost.



Charter to
The Newport
Guards.

WHEREAS the Preservation of this State, in Time of War, depends, under G O D, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: And whereas a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Newport*, to wit:—*Wing Spooner, John Teamans, James Perry, Thomas Prior, George Cox, Joseph Allen, John Spooner, Charles Davenport, Peleg Barker 3d, Charles Dunham, Samuel Place, Arnold Lawton, Nicholas Hart, Charles Barker, Benjamin Fairbanks, Peleg Keighn, Henry C. Moore, Daniel Pease, Wing Spooner, jun. Samuel Sanford, jun. Henry Freeborn, John Williams, David Melvin, Josiah Blifs, Robert Woodward, William Greene, William Prior, Thomas Coggeshall, John Coggeshall, Robert Babcock, Samuel Spooner, Benjamin Spooner, Thomas Tew, Stephen Pierce, Godfrey Wenwood, John Thurston, Edward Thurston, Benjamin Almy, William Lake, Thomas G. Pitman, and Martin Coats*, have offered themselves to begin, and with such others as are or shall be added to them, to form themselves into a Company, by the Name of *The Newport Guards*; and by their humble Petition prayed this Assembly to grant them a Charter, with such Privileges, and under such Restrictions and Limitations, as this Assembly should think proper:

WHEREFORE, this Assembly, in Order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design, have ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and grant that they, the Petitioners before named, together with such others as shall be hereafter added to them, not exceeding the Number of One Hundred, exclusive of Officers, be and they are hereby declared to be an Independent Company, by the Name of *The Newport Guards*: And by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights, Powers, and Privileges, in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IMPRIMIS.—It is granted unto the said Company, that they or the greater Number of them, shall and may once in every Year, on the last *Tuesday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together
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in some convenient Place, by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit* : one Captain, two Lieutenants; one Ensign, and all other Officers necessary for training, disciplining, and well ordering of the said Company; at which Election no Officer shall be chosen but by the greater Number of Voters then present; the Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being.

SECONDLY.—That the said Company shall have Liberty to meet and exercise themselves upon such other Days, and as often as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Colonel or other Field-Officers of the Regiment in whose District they live; and that they be obliged to meet at least four Times in the Year, upon the Penalty of paying to and for the Use of said Company, the following Fines, *to wit* :—The Captain, for each Day's Neglect, *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, the Lieutenants and Ensign, each *Nine Shillings*, lawful Money, the Clerk, Serjeants, and Corporals, each *Six Shillings*, lawful Money, and the common Soldiers, each *Three Shillings*, lawful Money; to be levied by Warrant of Distress from the Captain or superior Officer of the said Company for the Time being, directed to the Clerk.

THIRDLY.—That the said Company, or the greater Number of them, shall have Power to make such Rules and Orders among themselves as they shall think necessary to promote the End of the Establishment, and to lay such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of their own Company for the Breach of any such Rules and Orders as they shall think proper, so as the same exceed not *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, for any Offence; and also shall have full Power to levy the said Fines, and Forfeitures they shall so impose, by a Warrant of Distress from the Captain or superior Officer of said Company directed to the Clerk.

FOURTHLY.—That all those who shall be duly voted or enlisted into the said Company so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms or doing military Duty (watching and warding excepted) in the several Companies or Train bands in the District in which they respectively live.

FIFTHLY.—If any Officer or Officers of the said Company, shall be disapproved by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of said Town of *Newport*, or shall be taken away by Death, that then, or in either of those Cases, the Captain of said Company, or superior Officer for the Time being, shall call said Company together as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another or others in the Room of such Officer or Officers, so disapproved, removed or taken away by Death, in the same Manner as is herein before directed.

SIXTHLY.

SIXTHLY.—That the Commissioned Officers of the said Company from Time to Time, shall be of the Court-Martial, and Council of War in the Regiment in whose District they live.

SEVENTHLY.—That the said Company in the Time of an Alarm, shall be under the immediate Direction of the Captain-General of the State.

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That his Excellency the Governor, be requested to sign an Exemplification thereof, and to cause the State Seal to be thereto affixed, and deliver the same to the said Company; which shall thereupon be entitled to all the Privileges and Immunities in this Act granted them.



Impost Bonds
to be put in
Suit.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Bonds now in the Hands of *Ebenezer Thompson*, Esq. late Collector of Impost for the County of *Providence*, for securing the Payment of Duties to this State, be put in Suit, unless the same shall be settled on or before the First Day of *May* next.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That the Drawbacks be adjusted upon the Principles of the Act for collecting those Duties. And if the dutied Articles have been exported within the Time prescribed by the said Act, and in Conformity thereto, the Drawbacks shall be allowed.

G. Champlin
allowed £. 6
6s. H. Sherburne,
£ 11
8s. R. N. Auchmuty,
£ 5 8s. and *C. Fowler*,
£ 6.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the following Sums be allowed and paid, out of the General-Treasury, to the undernamed Persons, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; being the Amount of their several Accounts for the undermentioned Services, *to wit*: *George Champlin*, Esq. *Six Pounds Six Shillings*, for auditing the Accounts of the Loan-Office Certificates, and burning the Bills of Credit in the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office; to *Robert N. Auchmuty*, Esq. *Five Pounds Eight Shillings*, for the same Services; to Mr. *Christopher Fowler*, *Six Pounds*, for the same Services; and to *Henry Sherburne*, Esq. *Eleven Pounds Eight Shillings*, for auditing the Accounts of the said *Joseph Clarke*, preparing a fair Statement thereof, and adjusting them in the Treasury-Books.

Debts due to
the State to
be put in
Suit.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Secretary deliver to the Attorney-General the Report made by *James Sheldon* and *Thomas Peckham*, Esqrs. the Committee appointed to enquire what Money is due to the State from Individuals, together with all the Certificates and Vouchers presented with it: And that the Attorney-General take legal Measures for recovering the several Sums that appear thereby to be due to the State, as soon as may be.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds Four Shillings, be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jonathan Almy*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for the Rent for One Year of One Third of a House and Lot of Land in *Newport*, being the Dower of Mrs. *Freelove Eldred*. J. Almy allowed £4 4s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seventeen Shillings be allowed and paid to *William Wheaton*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for Brick and Mortar, and for building an Oven in the Gaol in *Providence*. W. Wheaton allowed £ 17s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer, the Attorney-General and *Jonathan J. Hazard*, Esq. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to make Inquiry into, and report as soon as may be, a Statement of the Facts relating to the Continental and State Securities which belonged to some of the Soldiers of the Continental Battalions raised by this State, and which have been fraudulently obtained from the late General-Treasurer : And that they also report what Measures in their Opinion ought to be adopted by the State for the Purpose of doing Justice to the original Proprietors of the said Securities. Com. respecting fraudulent Securities.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That the Attorney-General commence any Suit or Suits, that shall in the Opinion of the said Committee, be conducive to the Purpose aforesaid.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *George Champlin*, *Christopher Fowler* and *Francis Malbone*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to settle and adjust all the Demands between the State and Col. *George Irish* : And that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be. Com. to adjust G. Irish's Accounts.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of *Benjamin Chace* and *Abner Chace*, be further referred to the next Session : That *George Champlin* and *Henry Sherburne*, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to consider the same ; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session, Petition of B. and A. Chace further referred.

UPON the Petition of sundry Inhabitants of *North-Providence*, and Parts adjacent to *Pawtucket-River*, complaining of certain Obstructions in the said River, and the Report thereon of the Committee appointed at the last Session : Act respecting the Fishery at Pawtucket.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the same, together with the several Papers relating thereto, be again referred to *Joseph Matthewson*, of *Cowenry*, Esq. *Rufus Hopkins*, of *Scituate*, Esq. *Thomas Tillinghast*, of *East-Greenwich*, Esq. *William Baylies*, of *Dighton*, Esq. and *Eliza May*, of *Attleborough*.

tleborough, Esq. who are authorised to notify the Parties, and examine into the Matters complained of : And that the said Committee, or the major Part of them, be and they are hereby empowered, to cause the said Obstructions to be removed, or otherwise to provide for the Preservation of the Privileges and Property of the Public, and of private Persons, in such Manner as shall appear to them just and right : Saving and excepting all Disputes respecting the Dam newly erected across said River by Mr. *Moses Brown* and his Partners. And the Sheriff of the County of *Providence* and his Deputies are hereby required to afford their Aid in fulfilling the Trust hereby confided to the Committee.

AND is is further Voted and Resolved, That no Expence on this Business accrue to the State.

B. Wheeler
allowed £25. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *Twenty-five Pounds* be allowed and paid to *Bennett Wheeler*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; and that he account for the same.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That Mr. *Charles Lippitt*, *Robert Newell*, Esq. and Mr. *Nicholas Easton*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Account of the said *Bennett Wheeler* ; and that they make Report to this Assembly, as soon as may be.

Forfeited
Money al-
lowed to
J. Ratbun. UPON the Petition of Mr. *John Ratbun*, representing that he tendered a Sum of Money to Mr. *Stephen Ayrault*, to discharge a Mortgage on his Estate, which being refused was lodged in the General-Treasury ; and that he hath since discharged the said Debt in another Manner : and praying that the said Money may be restored to him :

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *John Ratbun* the Money by him actually lodged in the General-Treasury as aforesaid.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit* :

To the Honorable the General Assembly.

Com. res-
pecting
building a
new Gaol in
Providence.

WHEREAS a Committee heretofore appointed by the Honorable General Assembly made a Report at the last Session, that the Gaol in the Town of *Providence* was not worth repairing, and recommended the building a new one ; and the General Assembly did thereupon appoint the Subscribers a Committee to view the old Lot, &c. and directed us to report our Opinion of a suitable Place to build a new Gaol upon, with a suitable Plan of the Building : We therefore report as our Opinion, that the West End of the old Lot
will

will be a suitable Place to erect a new Gaol upon ; and herewith present a Plan of a Building for that Purpose.

Which is submitted by

WELCOME ARNOLD,
CHARLES LIPPITT,
EDWARD SMITH.

Providence, February 22, 1793.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *John S. Dexter, Welcome Arnold, Noah Mathewson*, and *Joshua Bicknell*, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to make an Estimate of the Expence of filling out the said Gaol-Lot to the Bounds of the Channel ; and also to consider of the most eligible Place on the said Lot for erecting the Gaol proposed to be built ; And that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Eleven Shillings* be allowed and paid, out of the General-Treasury, to *Mr. James Pierce*, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for cleaning the State-House, and attending upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter. *J. Pierce* allowed £ 1 11s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Mr. Thomas Briggs*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter. *T. Briggs* allowed £ 1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved; That *Three Pounds Fifteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Ray Greene*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for Paper and Quills, and attending upon the Lower House of Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk. *R. Greene* allowed £ 3 15s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Six Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Seven Pence* be allowed and paid to *Jonathan Niles*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of Kent, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for transmitting Acts of Assembly, Proclamations, &c. to the proper Officers in the said County, for Wood, Candles, &c. provided for, and Attendance upon the Courts, and this Assembly at the present Session. *J. Niles* allowed £ 6 16s. 7d.

February, 1793.

Report upon
J. William's
Account.

THE following Statement of an Account of Lieutenant-Colonel James Williams, and Report thereon were presented to this Assembly, to wit :

The United States in Account with James Williams, Dr.		
1779. To my Pay as Lieutenant-Colonel from March		
16, A. D. 1779, to March 16, 1780, 12		
Months, at £ 18,	£ 216	0 0
To Cash paid for Cloathing, for the Year 1779, £ 33		
15s. which in real Money is	1	2 6
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	£ 217	2 6
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Creditor.

By Amount of 12 Day's Pay, from the 20th of March			
to the 1st of April, A.D. 1779, Paper Currency £7 4s, £	0	13	1
By Amount of 1 Month's Pay to 1st of May, £ 18	1	9	7½
By Ditto, 1st of June, £ 18	1	6	10½
By Ditto 1st of July, £ 18,	1	4	4¾
By Ditto 1st of August, £ 18,	1	2	1
By Ditto 1st of September, £ 18,	1	0	0
By Ditto 1st of October, £ 18,	0	17	4½
By Ditto 1st of November, £ 18	0	15	0
By Ditto 1st of December, £ 18,	0	13	10
By Ditto 1st of January, 1780, £ 18,	0	12	3
By Ditto 1st of February, £ 18,	0	10	10
By Ditto 1st of March, £ 18,	0	9	7½
By Amount of 20 Days Pay to 20th of March, £ 12,		6	0
By Subsistence received from the State from 16th of			
March to August 17, 1779, 5 Months and 2 Days, at			
£ 18 per Month, £ 91 4s.	6	5	3
By Subsistence drawn from the United States from 18th			
August, 1779, to 16 March, 1780, at £ 120 per Month,	34	10	0
By Amount of Cloathing for the Year 1779,	33	15	0
By Balance due to Lieutenant-Colonel James Williams,	131	11	3½
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To the Honorable the General Assembly.

Your Committee report that upon the Principles adopted in the Adjustment of the Depreciation Accounts of the Officers and Soldiers of the Regiments late Elliott's, Crary's and Topham's, there is due to Lieutenant-Col. James Williams, a Balance of One Hundred and Thirty-one Pounds Eleven Shillings and Three Pence One Farthing, agreeably to the accompanying Account stated by your Committee.

Which is submitted by

JOHN S. DEXTER,
PAUL ALLEN.

Which

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WHICH being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, that the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted ; and that the Claim of the said *James Williams*, be placed in the same Situation as the Claim of Brigadier-General *Cornet* was by an Act of this Assembly passed at *February* Session, A: D. 1792.

UPON the Petitions pending before this Assembly, praying that Executions Proceedings and Executions may be stayed : Executions stayed.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all such Proceedings and Executions be and the same is hereby stayed.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next Session : That the Acts and Orders now made and passed be published and transmitted to the several Towns in the usual Manner : And that this Assembly be adjourned unto the *Tuesday* next preceding the First *Wednesday* in *May* next, to meet at *Newport*, if then called ; but if not called before nor at that Time, that then this Assembly be and hereby are dissolved. Adjournment.

GOD save the United States of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED :

WITNESS, *Henry Ward Lee*

May, 1793.

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At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island* and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden at *Newport*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the First *Wednesday* in *May*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-three, and in the Seventeenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

THE HONOURABLE

Samuel J. Potter, Esq; Deputy-Governor

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq;
PELEG ARNOLD, Esq.
JAMES ARNOLD, Esq;
CALEB GARDNER, Esq,
JOHN COOKE, Esq;
THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq;
THOMAS HOLDEN, Esq;
JOB WATSON, Esq;
JOHN HARRIS, Esq;

} Assistants

THE SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq*;
 Robert N. Auchinuty, *Esq*;
 Mr. Edward Simmons,
 Mr. John L. Bofs,
 Mr. Peleg Clarke,
 Simeon Martin, *Esq*;

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq*;
 Charles Lippitt, *Esq*;
 John Whipple, *Esq*;
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *jun. Esq*;
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Mr. Robert Lawton,
 Mr. Matthew Slocum.

WARWICK :

Moses Arnold, *Esq*;
 Anthony Holden, *Esq*;
 Mr. Joseph Brown.

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq*;
 Rowse Babcock, *Esq*;

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. Edward Sands,
 Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq*;
 George Thomas, *Esq*;

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Elisha R. Potter, *Esq*;
 Rowland Brown, *Esq*;

EAST-GREENWICH :

Mr. Joseph Fry,
 Mr. William Greene (*Son of Benj.*)

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden,
 Mr. John B. Remington.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Smith, *jun.*
 Mr. Arnold Paine.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq*;
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq*;

GLOUCESTER :

Samuel Winfor, *Esq*;
 Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Peleg Crofs, *jun.*
 Mr. Robert Congdon.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Caleb Carr, *Esq*;
 Mr. Amos Jacquays.

COVENTRY :

Job C. Greene, *Esq*;
 Joseph Mathewson, *Esq*;

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq*;
 Mr. Job Wilcox, *jun.*

MIDDLETOWN :

Benjamin Gardner, *Esq*;
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

Loring Peck, *Esq*;

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee, *Esq*;
 Abraham Barker, *Esq*;

LITTLE-COMPTON :

William Richmond, *Esq*;
 John Davis, *Esq*;

WADSWORTH :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq*;

CUMBERLAND :

Mr. Jason Newell,
 Jotham Carpenter, *Esq*;

RICHMOND :

Thomas Tefft, *Esq*;
 Mr. Samuel Larkin.

CRANSTON :

William Warner, *Esq*;
 Caleb Williams, *Esq*;

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq*;
 Moses Barber, *Esq*;

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq*;
 Mr. William Waterman.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith.

BARRINGTON :

Joshua Bicknell, *Esq*;
 Josiah Humphry, *jun. Esq*;

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq*;
 Daniel Howard, *Esq*;

*The Honourable WELCOME ARNOLD, Esq; was chosen Speaker; and
 RAY GREENE, Esq; Clerk of the Lower House.*

THIS being the Anniversary Election of all Officers, both civil ^{Officers elect.} and military, the Gentlemen whose Names are set down in the subsequent List were chosen to the Offices ascribed to their Names respectively, *so wit :*

His Excellency *Arthur Fenner*, Esq; Governor. Engaged.
The Honourable *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq; Deputy-Governor. Engaged.

Thomas G. Hazard, Esq; First Assistant. Engaged.
Peleg Arnold, Esq; Second Assistant. Engaged.
James Arnold, Esq; Third Assistant. Engaged.
Caleb Gardner, Esq; Fourth Assistant. Engaged.
John Cooke, Esq; Fifth Assistant. Engaged.
James Congdon, Esq; Sixth Assistant. Engaged.
Thomas Hoxsie, Esq; Seventh Assistant. Engaged.
Thomas Holden, Esq; Eighth Assistant. Engaged.
Job Watson, Esq; Ninth Assistant. Engaged.
John Harris, Esq; Tenth Assistant. Engaged.

Henry Ward, Esq; Secretary. Engaged.
William Channing, Esq; Attorney-General. Engaged.
Henry Sherburne, Esq; General-Treasurer. Engaged.

<i>Daniel Owen</i> , Esq; Chief	} Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and throughout the State.
<i>William Taggart</i> , Esq; Second	
<i>Walter Cooke</i> , Esq; Third	
<i>Ezekiel Gardner</i> , jun. Esq; Fourth	
<i>Thomas Tillinghast</i> , Esq; Fifth	

<i>Constant Taber</i> , Esq; Chief	} Justice of the Court of Com- mon Pleas, and General Ses- sions of the Peace, within and for the County of <i>New-</i> <i>port</i> .
<i>Oliver Durfee</i> , Esq; Second	
<i>Perez Richmond</i> , Esq; Third	
<i>William Anthony</i> , jun. Esq; Fourth	
<i>John Eldred</i> , Esq; Fifth	

<i>Caleb Harris</i> , Esq; Chief	} Justice of the Court of Com- mon Pleas, and General Ses- sions of the Peace, within and for the County of <i>Provi-</i> <i>dence</i> .
<i>Abraham Mathewson</i> , Esq; Second	
<i>John Burton</i> , jun. Esq; Third	
<i>Stephen Steere</i> , Esq; Fourth	
<i>John Dorrance</i> , Esq; Fifth	

<i>James Rhodes</i> , Esq; Chief	} Justice of the Court of Com- mon Pleas, and General Ses- sions of the Peace, within and for the County of <i>Wash-</i> <i>ington</i> .
<i>Gideon Clarke</i> , Esq; Second	
<i>Robert Stanton</i> , Esq; Third	
<i>John Allen</i> , Esq; Fourth	
<i>Oliver Davis</i> , Esq; Fifth	

<i>Samuel Allen</i> , Esq; Chief	} Justice of the Court of Com- mon Pleas, and General Ses- sions of the Peace, within and for the County of <i>Bristol</i> .
<i>Elkanah Humpbry</i> , Esq; Second	
<i>William Barton</i> , Esq; Third	
<i>Stephen Smith</i> , Esq; Fourth	
<i>Joseph Reynolds</i> , Esq; Fifth	

Stephen

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Stephen Arnold, Esq; Chief	} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Kent.
Preserved Pearce, Esq; Second	
Isaac Johnson, Esq; Third	
Benjamin Johnson, Esq; Fourth	
Stephen Greene (of East-Greenwich) Esq; Fifth	

John Grelea, Esq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of Newport.

Samuel Eddy, Esq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of Providence.

James Skeldon, Esq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of Washington.

Jonathan Russell, Esq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of Bristol.

Allen Fry, Esq; Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of Kent.

Thomas Peckham, Esq; Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Newport.

James Fenner, Esq; Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Providence.

Samuel E. Gardner, Esq; Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Washington.

Daniel Bradford, Esq; Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Bristol.

Benjamin Howland, Esq; Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Kent.

William Davis, Esq; Sheriff of the County of Newport.

Nehemiah Knight, Esq; Sheriff of the County of Providence.

Nicholas

Nicholas Gardner, jun. Esq; Sheriff of the County of *Washington.*

Richard Smith, Esq, Sheriff of the County of *Bristol.*

Thomas Holden, Esq; Eighth Assistant, having requested Leave to resign that Office,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Resignation be accepted.

BOTH Houses being resolved into a Grand Committee, proceeded upon the Election, and chose

Jonathan Niles, Esq; Sheriff of the County of *Kent.*

John Grelea, Esq; Public Notary for the County of *Newport.*

Samuel Chace, Esq; Public Notary for the County of *Providence.*

George Thomas, Esq; Public Notary for the County of *Washington.*

Shearjashub Bourn, Esq; Public Notary for the County of *Bristol.*

Hopkins Cooke. Esq; Public Notary for the County of *Kent.*

JUSTICES of the PEACE for the several Towns:

NEWPORT :

John Grelea,
Peleg Barker, *jun.*
Thomas Arnold,
Henry Sherburne,
John Townsend,
William Borden,
John Banister,
Robert Taylor,
William Crooke,
Thomas Peckham,
Edmund T. Ellery,
John Faxon,
Oliver R. Warner,
Christopher Ellery,
Henry Peckham,
John Bours,
Robert T. Shearman, *Esquires.*

PROVIDENCE :

Samuel Chace,
Daniel Cooke,
John Mawney,
Samuel Sampson,
Robert Newell,

James Arnold,
Benjamin Turpin,
William Thurber,
Nathaniel Wheaton,
David Howell,
William Tyler (*the 2d*)
Samuel Eddy,
James Fenner,
Asner Robbins,
Amos M. Atwell,
Samuel Thurber, *jun.*
James Burrill, *jun.*
Wheeler Martin,
William Richmond, *Esquires.*

PORTSMOUTH :

Tillinghaft Almy,
Gideon Dennis (*the 2d*)
Henry Lawton,
Samuel Shearman, *Esquires.*

WARWICK :

Benjamin Barton,
Ray Greene,
James Jerauld,

Anthony

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Anthony Holden,
Joseph Arnold (*Son of Caleb*)
Peter Greene,
James Rhodes (*Son of Robert*)
William Lippitt,
George Arnold, *Esquires*.

WESTERLY :

Simeon Burdick,
Samuel Bliven,
Joseph Clarke,
Samuel Brown,
John Sisson,
Nathan Barber,
Joseph Potter, *Esquires*.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

George Thomas,
Daniel Updike,
William Corey,
Nicholas C. Northup,
William Reynolds,
William Northup,
Oliver Gardner,
Isaac Vaughan, *Esquires*.

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

John Waite,
Caleb Teftr,
Samuel Curtis,
Daniel Shearman,
Isaac Tanner,
John Seagar,
Adam Helme,
Samuel E. Gardner,
Samuel Helme,
Barber Peckham,
Samuel Hoxfie,
Elisha R. Gardner,
James Shearman, *jun. Esquires*.

EAST-GREENWICH :

Benjamin Howland,
Hopkins Cooke,
George Spencer,
Mumford Davis,
Isaac Carr,
David Vaughan (*the 3d*)
William Greene,
George Nichols, *Esquires*.

SMITHFIELD :

John Sayles,
Stephen Arnold,
John Maon,
John Paine,
Elisha Olney,
Timothy Deane,
Edward Medbury,
Arthur Latham,
Benjamin Sheldon, *Esquires*.

SCITUATE :

John Harris,
Daniel Westcot,
Job Randall,
Simeon Arnold,
Stephen Harris,
Elihu Fish, *Esquires*.

GLOCESTER :

Zebedee Hopkins,
John Smith (*Son of Benjamin*)
Timothy Wilmarth,
Martin Smith,
Nathaniel Wade,
Samuel Winsor,
Richard Steere, *jun.*
Israel Cooke,
William Arnold, *Esquires*.

CHARLESTOWN :

Peleg Cross,
Jonathan Macomber,
Ichabod Burdick,
Simeon Babcock,
Nathan Tyler,
John Collier,
William Kinyon,
Jesse Crandall, *Esquires*.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Samuel Hopkins,
Levi Whitford,
Ishmael Nichols,
Job Spencer,
Caleb Hall,
Efek Carr,
George Potter,
Stephen Wilcox,
Nathaniel Pullman, *Esquires*.

COVENTRY :

COVENTRY :

William Stone,
Joseph Manchester,
Benjamin Greene,
Job Greene (*Son of Charles*)
Joseph Wickes, *jun. Esquires.*

EXETER :

Stephen Reynolds,
Christopher Pierce,
Nicholas Gardner (*Son of Ezekiel*)
Samuel Bissell,
Samuel Gorton,
Stephen Champlin,
Jeffery Hazard,
Lillibridge Barber,
Oliver Arnold,
Perry Tanner, *Esquires.*

MIDDLETOWN :

Joseph Peabody,
Elisha Allen,
Parker Hall,
Benjamin Gardner, *Esquires.*

BRISTOL :

Daniel Bradford,
John Usher,
Josiah Finney,
Newton Waldron, *Esquires.*

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee,
Lemuel Taber,
Abraham Barker,
Bedford Dennis, *Esquires.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

Adam Simmons,
Enos Giffard,
Thomas Palmer,
Ezra Chace, *Esquires.*

WARREN :

William T. Miller,
Benjamin Barton,
Edward Chace,
Samuel Pearce,
Samuel Child, *Esquires.*

CUMBERLAND :

Jotham Carpenter,
John S. Dexter,
Nathaniel Shepardson,
Levi Ballou, *Esquires.*

RICHMOND :

Thomas Tefft,
James Sheldon,
Remington Clarke,
James Potter,
Presbury Hoxsie, *Esquires.*

CRANSTON :

William Warner,
John R. Arnold,
John A. Burton,
Jeremiah Randall,
Joseph Aborn,
Philip Arnold,
Ezekiel Searle,
John Wightman, *Esquires.*

HOPKINTON :

David Nichols,
Robert Burdick,
Josiah Winter,
Thomas P. Gardner,
Randall Wells,
Daniel Babcock,
Moses Barber,
Abraham Coon, *Esquires.*

JOHNSTON :

Abraham Belknap,
Joseph Borden, *jun.*
Benjamin Kimball,
Caleb Alverfon,
Joseph Fisk,
Cyrus Harris, *Esquires.*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Hope Angell,
Efek Esten,
Ezekiel Whipple,
Stephen Abbot, *Esquires.*

BARRINGTON :

Josiah Humphry, *jun.*
Moses Tyler,
Joshua Bicknall, *Esquires.*

FOSTER :

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FOSTER :
William Tyler,
Daniel Howard,

Caleb Potter,
Simeon Seamans,
Joseph Davis, *Esquires*.

MILITARY OFFICERS.

Simeon Martin, Esq; Major-General of the Militia of the State.

Jabez Champlin, Esq; Brigadier-General of the Militia in the Counties of *Newport* and *Bristol*.

John Whipple, Esq; Brigadier-General of the Militia in the County of *Providence*.

George Thurston, Esq; Brigadier-General of the Militia of the County of *Washington*.

Thomas Gorton, Esq; Brigadier-General of the Militia of the County of *Kent*.

William Tew, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Philip Martin, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Thomas Allen, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Bristol*.

Allen Johnson, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Benjamin Howland, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

William Aldrich, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Charles Dyre, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Washington*.

Joseph Rice, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Joseph Knight, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Third Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Henry Wheeler, jun. Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Fourth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Caleb

Caleb Williams, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Sixth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Alexander Thomas, Esq; First
Benjamin Brownell, Esq; Second } Major of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Stephen Abbot, Esq; First
Joseph Allen, Esq; Second } Major of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Joseph Reynolds, Esq; First
Isabod Cole, Esq; Second } Major of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Bristol*.

Thomas Westcott, Esq; First
Moses Arnold, Esq; Second } Major of the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

John Bailey, Esq; First Major of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*.

Amaziab Weatherhead, Esq; First
Daniel Arnold, Esq; Second } Major of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Abrabam Wilcox, jun. Esq; First
Daniel Sunderlin, jun. Esq; Second } Major of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Washington*.

Caleb Carr, Esq; First
Jonathan Nichols, Esq; Second } Major of the Second Regiment of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

Nathaniel Medbury, Esq; First
Thomas Relph, Esq; Second } Major of the Third Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Elijah Armstrong, Esq; First
Thomas Mitchell, Esq; Second } Major of the Fourth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Benjamin Atwood, Esq; First
Philip Arnold, Esq; Second } Major of the Sixth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Thomas James, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Washington*.

Isaac Johnson, Esq; Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Kent*.

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Caleb Westcott, Esq; First
Benjamin Fry, Esq; Second

} Major of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Providence*.

Thomas Noyes, Esq; First
William Bliven, Esq; Second

} Major of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Washington*.

Loring Peck, Esq; First
Christopher Manchester, Esq; Second

} Major of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Bristol*, and Towns of *Tiverton* and *Little-Compton*.

Joseph Arnold (Son of *Caleb*) Esq; First
Samuel Tanner, Esq; Second

} Major of the Senior Class Regiment in the County of *Kent*.

Robert Rogers, Esq; Adjutant-General of the Militia of the State.

William Barton, Esq; Inspector-General of the Militia of the State.

John Mathewson, Esq; Quarter-Master General of the Militia of the State.

Charles Lippitt, Esq; Commissary-General of the Militia of the State.

John Gould, Esq; Physician and Purveyor-General of the Militia of the State.

John Carr, Gunner of *Fort-Washington*.

Officers to command the several Companies of Infantry, to wit :

First Regiment in the County of
Newport.

Senior Class Company in the Towns
of Portsmouth and Middle-
town :

John Earle, Capt.
William Lawton, Lieut.
Walter Cornell, Ensign.

PORTSMOUTH Company :
Cooke Wilcox, Capt.
Gideon Shearman, Lieut.
George Brownell, Ensign.

NEW-SHOREHAM Company :
Edward Sands, Capt.
John Pain, Lieut.
John Gorton, Ensign.

JAMESTOWN Company :
John Franklin, Capt.
Peleg Carr, jun. Lieut.
Daniel Howland, Ensign.

First Regiment in the County of Pro-
vidence.

PROVIDENCE :
Senior Class Company,
Samuel Black, Capt.
Asa Franklin, Lieut.
Nathaniel Dana, Ensign.

First Company,
Seril Dodge, Capt.
Jeremiah B. Howell, Lieut.
Ichabod Taber, Ensign.
Second

Second Company,
Joshua Linley, *Capt.*
Benjamin Andrews, *Lieut.*
George R. Burrill, *Ensign.*

Third Company,
George Weeden, *Capt.*
William Snow, *Lieut.*
Jeremiah Whiting, *Ensign.*

Fourth Company,
Daniel Proud, *Capt.*
Daniel Field, *Lieut.*
Oliver Pearce, *Ensign.*

Fifth Company,
Jeremiah Jenckes, *Capt.*
Eber Coleman, *Lieut.*
Amos Warner, *Ensign.*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

First Company,
John Stone, *Capt.*
Richard Whipple, *Lieut.*
Jenckes Rutenburg, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Benjamin Jenckes, *Capt.*
John Field, *Lieut.*
Nathaniel Walker, *Ensign.*

First Regiment in the County of
Washington.

WESTERLY :

Senior Class Company,
Henry Wells, *Capt.*
James Ross, *Lieut.*
Jonathan Sisson, *Ensign.*

Regiment in the County of Bristol.

Senior Class Company,
Matthew Allen, *Capt.*
Benjamin Bosworth (*the 2d*)
Lieut.
Nathan Bardin, *Ensign.*

WARREN :

First Company,
Joseph Adams, *Capt.*
Benjamin Cole, *Lieut.*
William Hoar, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Joseph Barton, *Capt.*
Samuel Mafon, *Lieut.*
Samuel Bowen, *Ensign.*

BARRINGTON Company,
Josiah Humphry, *jun. Capt.*
Samuel Barnes, *Lieut.*
Benjamin Martin, *Ensign.*

First Regiment in the County of Kent.
Senior Class Company in Warwick
and East-Greenwich :

Robert Rhodes, *Capt.*
Hopkins Cooke, *Lieut.*
Thomas Warner, *Ensign.*

WARWICK :

First Company,
Joseph Batty, *Capt.*
Bennett Low, *Lieut.*
Stephen Holden, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
James Greene (*the 3d*) *Capt.*
Benedick Arnold (*the 2d*)
Lieut.
Joseph Arnold (*Son of Joseph*)
Ensign.

Second Regiment in the County of
Newport.

TIVERTON :

Senior Class Company,
Isaac Cooke, *Capt.*
Pierce Perry, *Lieut.*
Philip Manchester, *Ensign.*

First Company,
Joseph Bailey, *Capt.*
William Sanford, *jun. Lieut.*
Benjamin Cooke, *Ensign.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

Senior Class Company,
Nathaniel Church, *Capt.*
Cornelius Briggs, *Lieut.*
Isaac Bailey, *Ensign.*

First Company,
Benjamin Simmons, *Capt.*
Isaac

Isaac Simmons, *Lieut.*
Nathaniel Simmons, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
David Hilyard, *jun. Capt.*
Joseph Pierce, *Lieut.*
Thomas Richmond, *Ensign.*

Second Regiment in the County of
Providence.

SMITHFIELD :

Senior Class Company,
Job Mowry, *Capt.*
George Streeter, *Lieut.*
Richard Sayles, *jun. Ensign.*

First Company,
Nathan Dexter, *Capt.*
Abraham Angell, *Lieut.*
Adam Jenckes, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Caleb Aldrich, *jun. Capt.*
Moses Aldrich, *Lieut.*
Arnold Paine, *jun. Ensign.*

Third Company,
Obed Seaver, *Capt.*
Andrew Waterman, *jun. Lieut.*
Nathaniel Mowry, *Ensign.*

CUMBERLAND :

Senior Class Company,
Benjamin S. Walcott, *Capt.*
Gilbert Grant, *Lieut.*
Joseph Raze, *Ensign.*

First Company,
John Walcott, *Capt.*
Isaac Otis, *Lieut.*
Levi Lee, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
William Ballou, *Capt.*
John Butterworth, *Lieut.*
Baruch Aldrich, *Ensign.*

Second Regiment in the County of
Washington.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Senior Class Company,
Stukely Hill, *Capt.*

George Tenant, *Lieut.*
George Thomas, *jun. Ensign.*

EXETER :

Senior Class Company,
Samuel Bissell, *Capt.*
Oliver Spinck, *Lieut.*
Ebenezer Wilcox, *Ensign.*

First Company,
George Reynolds (*Son of Robert*) *Capt.*
Benjamin Greene (*Son of Abraham*) *Lieut.*
Matthew Clarke, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Stephen Lewis, *Capt.*
Jeremiah Pendleton, *Lieut.*
John Rathbone, *Ensign.*

Third Company,
Benjamin Lewis, *Capt.*
Samuel Lewis, *Lieut.*
Asa Wilcox, *Ensign.*

Second Regiment in the County of
Kent.

WEST-GREENWICH :

First Company,
Karmy Whitford, *Capt.*
Nathaniel Niles, *Lieut.*
Daniel Greene, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Silas Bailey, *Capt.*
Joseph Fry, *Lieut.*
Caleb Bailey, *Ensign.*

Third Company,
David Mathewson, *jun. Capt.*
John Hazard, *Lieut.*
Gardner T. Kinyon, *Ensign.*

Third Regiment in the County of
Providence.

SCITUATE :

Senior Class Company,
Jonathan Smith, *Capt.*
Samuel Wilbur, *Lieut.*
Daniel Fisk, *jun. Ensign.*

First

First Company,
Eliezer Collins, *Capt.*
Lewis Leach, *Lieut.*
Samuel Kent, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Joseph Fenner, *Capt.*
Stephen Smith (*the 3d*) *Lieut.*
John Potter, *jun. Ensign.*

Third Company,
Nathan Walker, *Capt.*
Joseph Carpenter, *Lieut.*
Samuel Wilbur, *jun. Ensign.*

Fourth Company,
Gideon Harris, *Capt.*
Resolved Smith, *Lieut.*
Timothy Hopkins, *Ensign.*

Third Regiment in the County of
Washington.

RICHMOND :

Senior Class Company,
John Woodmanlie, *Capt.*
Benjamin Hoxsie, *Lieut.*
James Potter, *Ensign.*

Fourth Regiment in the County of
Providence.

GLOCESTER :

Senior Class Company,
Jonathan Eddy, *Capt.*
Eliakim Phettiplace, *Ensign.*

First Company,
Thomas Winfor, *Capt.*
William Wheeler, *Lieut.*
Benajah Sweet, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Afa Ballou, *Capt.*
William Lapham, *Lieut.*

Third Company,
James Potter, *Capt.*
Isaac Wade, *Lieut.*
John Wells, *jun. Ensign.*

Fourth Company,
Pitts Smith, *Capt.*
Daniel Sayles, *Lieut.*
Joshua Winfor, *Ensign.*

Fifth Company,
Edward Greene, *Capt.*
Jabez Arnold, *Lieut.*
Oliver Cornell, *Ensign.*

Sixth Company,
Benedict Burlingame, *Capt.*
Efek Brown, *Lieut.*
James Place, *Ensign.*

Fifth Regiment in the County of
Providence.

FOSTER :

Senior Class Company,
Isaac Blanchard, *Capt.*
Joseph Davis, *Lieut.*
Samuel Perkins, *Ensign.*

Sixth Regiment in the County of
Providence.

CRANSTON :

First Company,
Hopkins Hudson, *Capt.*
Pardon Sheldon, *Lieut.*
Samuel Joy, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Christopher Waterman, *Capt.*
Joseph Williams, *Lieut.*
George Field, *Ensign.*

Third Company,
Jonathan Knight, *Capt.*
Henry Wightman, *Lieut.*
Rhodes Fenner, *Ensign.*

JOHNSTON :
Senior Class Company,
Israel Angell, *Capt.*
Jonathan Patt, *Lieut.*
John Violl, *Ensign.*

First Company,
Caleb Williams, *Capt.*
Peter Briggs, *Lieut.*
Joseph Alverfon, *Ensign.*

Second Company,
Joshua Kimball, *Capt.*
Isaac Winfor, *Lieut.*
Jeremiah Sheldon, *Ensign.*

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Third Company,
Caleb Remington, *Capt.*
Albro Cleveland, *Lieut.*
Samuel Randall, *Ensign:*

Fourth Company,
Valentine Sweet, *Capt.*
David Waterman, *Lieut.*
William Spear, *Ensign.*

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, named the *Providence Independent Light Dragoons* for the County of *Providence*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, who approved the Choice, *to wit:*

Ephraim Bowen, jun. Colonel,
John Corlis, Lieutenant-Colonel,
David M. Lane, Major,
Josiah Gifford, Captain,
Oliver Bowen (the 2d) Lieutenant,
Henry Smith, Cornet.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, named the *United Train of Artillery* in *Providence*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit:*

Daniel Tillinghast, Colonel,
Robert Taylor, Lieutenant-Colonel,
Gerstom Jones, Major,
Naibau Fisher, Captain,
John Carlile, Lieutenant.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, named the *Glocester Grenadiers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit:*

Joktan Putnam, Captain,
Elisha Mitchell, First Lieutenant,
John Wood, jun. Second Lieutenant,
George Shearman, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers of the Independent Company, called the *Governor's Independent Company of Light Infantry* in the Town of *Providence*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit:*

John Whipple, Captain,
Robert Taylor, jun. First Lieutenant,
Jeremiah Eddy, Second Lieutenant,
Thomas Williams, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Kingston Reds*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit:*

John Waite, Captain,
Gideon Babcock, First Lieutenant,
Benedict Eldred, Second Lieutenant,
Sands Perkins, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Washington Independent Company*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Nicholas Gardner (the 3d) Captain,
Nicholas R. Gardner, First Lieutenant,
Willett Gardner, Second Lieutenant,
Benjamin Greene, jun. Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Pawtuxet Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Benjamin Arnold, Captain,
Israel Arnold, First Lieutenant,
Caleb Corps, Second Lieutenant,
Rhodes Greene, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Cranston Blues*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Caleb Williams, Captain,
Joseph Burton, First Lieutenant,
Pardon Potter, Second Lieutenant,
Andrew Potter, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Kentish Troop*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Preserved Hall, Captain,
John Arnold, First Lieutenant,
Westcott Stone, Second Lieutenant,
Benjamin Nichols, Cornet.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *North-Kingstown Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Beriab Waite, Captain,
Gardner Reynolds, First Lieutenant,
Beriab Brown, jun. Second Lieutenant,
Gardner Browning, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Coventry Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

John McGregor, Captain,
Job Greene, First Lieutenant,
William Waterman, Second Lieutenant,
Bernard Mathewson, Ensign.

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THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Johnston Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Nebemiah Hawkins, Captain,
Robert Thornton, First Lieutenant,
John McDonald, Second Lieutenant,
Christopher Brown, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, called the *Washington Troop of Horse*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Rowland Brown, Captain,
Henry Potter, First Lieutenant,
Samuel E. Gardner, Second Lieutenant,
Jeremiah N. Potter, Cornet.

T. Warner
 empowered
 to collect
 Taxes in
Warwick.

WHEREAS *Thomas Warner*, of *Warwick*, Yeoman, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that he was appointed Executor to the last Will and Testament of *John Warner*, of *Warwick* aforesaid, Esq; deceased; who in his Lifetime had been appointed Collector of divers Taxes by the said Town; and that it appears, from the several Rate-Bills, that a considerable Sum remains uncollected: And thereupon prayed this Assembly to empower him to collect the said Taxes: Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Petition be granted: That the said *Thomas Warner* be and he is hereby clothed with all the Power and Authority which the said *John Warner*, as Collector, ever had, to collect the Arrears of Taxes due on said Rate-Bills of the said Town of *Warwick*; and that Discharges for the same, made by the said *Thomas Warner*, shall be as conclusive as though made by the said *John Warner* in his Lifetime.

Alterations to
 be made in the
 State-Houses
 in *Newport*
 and *Provi-*
dence.

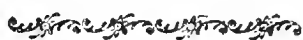
IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Sheriff of the County of *Newport* procure two Passages, with Doors thereto, to be cut through the Pannels on the lower Floor of the Chamber of the Deputies in the State-House in that County, opposite to the Passages in the Pannels on the upper Floor, and shut up the Passage now on the lower Floor: That he also cause the Windows in the said Chamber to be so altered, that the upper Parts thereof may be let down: That the same be completed before the Session of this Assembly in *June* next: That the Sheriff of the County of *Providence* procure the same Alteration to be made in the Windows in the Chamber of the Deputies in the State-House in *Providence*: And that the said Sheriffs lay their respective Accounts of the Expence of the same before this Assembly.

W. Richmond's
 Petition
 granted.

WHEREAS *William Richmond*, of *Providence*, Hatter, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that in the Year 1777 he was an Inhabitant of *New-Haven*, in the State of *Connecticut*, and having Scruples of Conscience concerning the Opposition then made to the

the Government of *Great-Britain*, he, by Permission from the General Assembly of that State, removed with his Family, Household Furniture and Provisions, to *Long-Island*, where he peaceably remained, without taking up Arms, or being otherwise employed in any war-like Business, until the End of the War: That in the Year 1784 he returned to *Providence*, the Place of his Nativity, where he hath always demeaned himself as a good Citizen, having since his Return been admitted to the Rights of Election in the said Town, and now actually sustaining the Offices of Assessor of Taxes, and Overseer of the Poor: But that, notwithstanding, some Doubts have arisen whether he is legally entitled to the Rights of Citizenship: And thereupon the said *William Richmond* prayed this Assembly to remove all Doubts, by declaring him a qualified Citizen of this State. And whereas a great Number of respectable Inhabitants of the said Town of *Providence* did join in the Prayer of the said Petition: Which being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said *William Richmond*, in his aforesaid Petition contained, be and the same is hereby granted: That the said *William Richmond* be deemed, and he is hereby declared to be, a Citizen of this State: And that he be considered as having been as fully restored to the Rights of Citizenship, from the Time he returned to this State, in the Year One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty-four, as though an Act of this Assembly had been previously thereto passed for that Purpose.



An A C T incorporating certain Persons, by the Name of the *Catholic Baptist Society*, at *Pawtucket*, in *North-Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, and State of *Rhode-Island* and *Providence-Plantations*.

THE Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island* and *Providence-Plantations*, to all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting.

Charter to
Pawtucket
Catholic Society.

WHEREAS sundry Persons of the Village called *Pawtucket*, in *North-Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, and others, have represented to us, that they have subscribed towards building a Meeting-House in said *Pawtucket*, for the Worship of Almighty GOD, which said House is, on the First Days of the Week, for ever hereafter, to be and remain for the *Baptist* Denomination of Christians, if they have an Occasion for the same; and on other Times and Occasions indifferently for the Use of any or all Denominations of Christians, and to be opened and used accordingly, at the Request of any Four of the

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reputable Housholders of the said Village of *Pawtucket*; and have petitioned this General Assembly to grant them a Charter of Incorporation, with the Privileges and Powers hereafter mentioned.

Now, therefore, Know Ye,

THAT we, the Governor and Company, do, for ourselves and our Successors, enact, grant, ordain, constitute and declare, that *Samuel Healy, Jerathmeel Jenks, Oliver Bucklin, Nathaniel Croad, Benjamin Jenks, James Mason, James Durfee, James Weeden, Nathaniel Walker, jun. David Jenks, Thomas Speare, Stephen Jenks, jun. Levi Jenks, Moses Jenks, John Pitcher, Moses Baker, Daniel Towler, Stephen Jenks, George Jenks, Benjamin Kingsly, John Bucklin, Sylvester Bowers, jun. Comfort Jenks, Samuel Benchley, William Bagley, jun. Ezra Barrows, Josiah Armington, David Walker, Ezekiel Carpenter, Samuel Jenks, George Nicholas, Samuel Slack, Oliver Carpenter, Samuel Slator, Jesse Salisbury, Jesse Busbee, Ephraim Jenks, Luther Hawkins, Peter Bicknal, Essek Jenks, Ebenezer Tyler, Eleazar Jenks, George Benson, John Brown, Nicholas Brown, Thomas P. Ives, and Anetas Sweetland*, or such or so many of them as shall convene on the Second *Wednesday* of *May*, A. D. 1793, at the House of *Samuel Healy*, in *North-Providence*, on the Business of their Charter, and their Successors, shall be forever hereafter one Body corporate and politic in Fact, and remain, with perpetual Succession, to be known in the Law, by the Name of the *Catholic Baptist Society*, at *Pawtucket*, in *North-Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, and State of *Rhode-Island* and *Providence-Plantations*. And the said *Catholic Society* is hereby empowered to take, receive and hold, all and any voluntary Subscriptions, Contributions, Legacies and Donations, of any Sum or Sums of Money, or of any real and personal Estate; also to have, take, possess, purchase, acquire, or otherwise receive and hold, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods, Chattels, or other Estates, of all which they shall and may stand seized, notwithstanding any Misnomer of this Corporation, and by whatever Name, or however imperfectly the same shall be described in Donations, Legacies, Assignments and Grants; provided the true Intent and Meaning of the Assignor or Benefactor be evident. Also the said *Catholic Society* is hereby empowered to take, hold, and stand seized of, all Estates aforesaid, fully to and for the Use and Benefit of the said Corporation and their Successors forever, and the same to use, occupy and improve, towards the Support of Pastors, Relief of the Poor, in schooling their Children, or otherwise, or any other religious Uses, according to the Will of the Donors, and to the Purposes, Trusts and Uses, to which they shall be seized thereof, or the same shall be designed: Also to lease the real Estate, or the same to grant, demise, aliene or hold in Perpetuity, according to the Tenor of each particular Donation, or their Property therein, and to let Monies on Bonds, Mortgages, or other Securities; and shall and may be Persons capable in the Law, as a Body corporate, to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded; to answer and be answered unto, to defend and pursue to final Judgment and Execution thereon, in all Courts and Places, and before all proper Judges whatever, in all and singular Suit and Suits, Cases and Actions, of what Kind

Kind soever, in the fullest and amplest Manner, by and in the Name of their Treasurer for the Time being.

AND furthermore, the said Body corporate, and their Successors forever hereafter, shall and may have a public Seal, which they may use for any Purposes or Affairs as to them shall seem expedient; also it shall be lawful for them the same Seal to break, alter and make anew, from Time to Time, at their Will and Pleasure.

AND it is further Enacted, That there shall be an annual Meeting of the said *Catholic Society*, in said *Pawtucket*, on the Second Monday in June forever, at which Time they shall, out of their own Body politic, elect a Moderator, Treasurer and Clerk, and such other Officers as they shall think needful: And the Moderator, Treasurer and Clerk, shall be sworn to the faithful Performance of their respective Trusts: And furthermore, there shall be a Quarterly Meeting of said *Catholic Society*, on the Second Monday in September, December and March, forever: That the said *Catholic Society* shall have full Power to appoint any other Meetings, at such Times and Places as to them from Time to Time shall seem necessary or expedient, more fully and effectually to accomplish the charitable Purposes aforesaid; and that they have Power at any such Meetings to appoint Committees, and transact all such Business as according to their Charter may regularly come before them: All which shall be done and determined by a Majority of the Members present.

AND it is further Enacted, That *Stephen Jenks* be Moderator, *Jerathmeel Jenks*, Treasurer, and *Stephen Jenks, jun.* Clerk, of said *Catholic Society*, to continue in their respective Offices until the Second Monday in June, 1793.

AND it is further Enacted, That the said *Catholic Society*, at any of their Meetings, may elect such Persons as they shall think proper to become Members of the same, and make such Rules, Orders and By-Laws, and alter the same, as they, from Time to Time, shall judge necessary for the good Order of said *Society*: Provided that such Rules, Orders and By-Laws, are not contrary to the Laws of this Government; and that any Seven Members of said *Catholic Society*, convened at any regular Meeting, the Moderator, Treasurer or Clerk, always to be one, are hereby declared to be a Quorum of said *Society*.

AND be it further Enacted, That all Donations, of whatsoever Kind, or howsoever made to said *Catholic Society*, together with the Names of the Donors, and the Purposes and Uses for which said Donations shall be made, shall be entered on Record by the Clerk for the Time being; as also their yearly Income, and its Appropriations from Time to Time forever: And that the Treasurer's Accounts be exhibited and audited at every annual Meeting of the said *Society*.

PROVIDED nevertheless, and be it further Enacted, That if ever the whole Number of the said *Catholic Society* for the Time being shall be reduced

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duced below Seven, then and in such Case all Monies, Bonds, Mortgages, Deeds, Notes, Obligations, Books and Papers of every Kind, together with all the Estate, both real and personal, at the Time belonging to the said *Catholic Society*, shall be given up to, and the sole Property thereof be vested in, the *Baptist Church* or Churches in said *North-Providence*, for whose Use and Benefit the said *Catholic Society* is instituted, to be received by a Committee by them appointed for the Purpose, and shall be punctually appropriated by them to the said Purposes, Trusts and Uses, specified by the Donors to the said *Catholic Society*, or to which they are by this Charter empowered to appropriate the same, and no otherwise.

PROVIDED furthermore, and it is further Enacted, That the said *Catholic Society* shall have Power to raise Monies by selling the Pew-Ground, to finish the said House, and for the Good of said Society, as they may think necessary; but that no Taxes shall ever be laid on said Pews hereafter, without the Consent of the Owner or Owners of such Pew or Pews: And in case at any Time hereafter, through Misapprehensions or mistaken Constructions of the Powers contained in this Charter, any Laws shall be enacted, or any Matters done and transacted by this Corporation, contrary to the Tenor hereof, such Laws, Acts and Doings, shall be in themselves null and void, but shall never be adjudged into an Avoidance, Defeasance or Forfeiture of this Charter; but the same shall remain entire to the said Corporation in perpetual Succession forever, and all their Acts conformable to its Powers, Tenor, true Intent and Meaning, shall be and remain of full Force and legal Validity.



As respecting
fraudulent
Securities.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Act passed by this Assembly at the Session in May, A. D. 1791, requesting *Jabez Bowen*, Esq; Commissioner of Loans within this State, not to loan any Notes of a certain Description issued by the General-Treasurer of this State, for Monies due to the Soldiers of the Continental Battalions raised by this State, by Reason of their having been fraudulently obtained; and also requesting him to retain such Notes in his Office, until such further Orders should thereon be made as might consist with the Principles of Justice and Equity, be and the same is hereby repealed, so far as regards the Detention of the said Notes.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer publish in all the News-Papers in this State a Description of the Notes thus fraudulently obtained, and a Caution to all Persons not to purchase them, with a Request that it be published in the *Gazette of the United States*,

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An A C T granting to the United States of *America* the public Light-House within this State.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That there be and hereby is granted unto the United States of *America* the Light-House situate in *Jamestown*, being the Property of this State, together with all the Right, Title and Claim of the State to the Lands and Tenement thereto adjoining, with the Jurisdiction of the same. Light-House
ceded to the
United States.

PROVIDED nevertheless, and be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if the United States shall, at any Time hereafter, neglect to keep lighted, and in Repair, the Light-House aforesaid, that then the Grant of the said Light-House shall be void and of no Effect.

PROVIDED also, That all civil and criminal Processes issued under the Authority of this State, or any Officer thereof, may be executed on the said Land, or in the said Light-House or Tenement, in the same Way and Manner as if the Jurisdiction had not been ceded as aforesaid.

AND provided further, That if the United States shall, at any Time hereafter, make any Compensation to any one of the United States for the Cession of any Light-House heretofore made, or which may be hereafter made to the United States, that then like Compensation be made to this State by the United States, for the Cession of the Light-House, Lands and Tenement aforesaid, in Proportion to their Value respectively.

IT is Ordered, That a Copy of this Act be transmitted to the President of the United States.



WHEREAS divers Merchants of the Town of *Providence* represented, by their Petition to this Assembly, that they apparently stand indebted upon Bonds by them given to *Ebenezer Thompson*, Esq; late Collector of Impost for the Port of *Providence*, for Duties on Goods imported before this State adopted the Constitution of the United States: That most of the said Goods were afterwards exported by them, and not relanded or consumed within the State: That it was not in their Power, in every Instance, exactly to comply with the Laws of the State respecting such Exportations, by Reason that as soon as the Constitution of the United States was adopted by this State, the Collector aforesaid conceived his Appointment and Authority to be at an End, and refused to receive any Entries or Bonds for Exportation, though requested so to do within the Time limited by Law for that Purpose: That in many Cases they have not been able to obtain the Certificates required

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quired by Law of the Goods so exported having been landed in a foreign Port, though they have used their utmost Endeavours for that Purpose: And that in divers other Cases they have been obliged to deviate from the Letter of the Law, though they have in Substance complied therewith, and the Goods imported as aforesaid have been in Fact exported, sold and consumed, in foreign Countries: And thereupon they prayed for Relief:

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Claims for Drawbacks, in the said Petition mentioned, be referred to the Consideration of Messieurs *Noah Mathewson, Samuel Elam, Charles Wheaton, John S. Dexter, John Mawney, and William Barton*, who are requested to appoint a Time at *Providence*, give previous public Notice thereof to all Parties concerned, and hear them thereon; and to adjust, upon the Principles of Equity and good Conscience, the Balance they shall find due from each Individual to the State, and from the State to each Individual, taking into Consideration the Drawbacks on Goods exported within the Time limited by Law, the Adoption of the Constitution of the United States notwithstanding: And that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

Resolve respecting Arrearages of Taxes.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That where there are any Arrearages due to the State from any Town, for Taxes assessed in Continental Money, the Persons appointed to collect those Taxes shall pay into the General-Treasury so much Specie as was the Value of such Continental Money, by the Scale of Depreciation, at the last Time limited by Law for the Payment of such Taxes.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit*:

To the Honourable the General Assembly of the State of Rhode-Island, &c.

Report of H. Sherburne.

RESPECTFULLY representeth, *Henry Sherburne*, Commissioner on the Part of the said State for settling the Accounts with the United States, that, after the most diligent Search and Examination, the annexed Account, amounting to £32,616 9 10 Specie, completeth the last Charge he is able to make against the United States; which he will forward to the Board of Commissioners in a few Days by *Benjamin Bourn, Esq*; This Opportunity will be particularly serviceable to the State, as the Close of the Business is at Hand, and Mr. *Bourn* well acquainted with the Nature of the Accounts, and ready to render the State his best Services.

HENRY SHERBURNE.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS *Stephen Jenckes*, of *North-Providence*, Yeoman, for himself, and in Behalf of his Sons *Eleazar*, *Nathaniel*, *Moses* and *Stephen*, presented a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that on the 9th Day of *August*, A. D. 1786, he and his said Sons lodged with *Caleb Harris*, Esq; then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Providence*, £ 347 10 0, in the Bills of Credit of this State, to discharge a Note by them given to *Mary Power*, of *Providence*, which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that they have since paid the said Debt in another Manner; and thereupon prayed that the said Money may be restored to them:

Grant of forfeited Money to *S. Jenckes* and Sons.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Stephen Jenckes* and Sons the Money by them actually lodged in the Treasury as aforesaid.

UPON the Petition of *Sylvester Gardner*, Esq; in Behalf of the Town of *North-Kingstown*, praying for an Allowance for a Surplus of Beef heretofore supplied by that Town:

Claim of *N. Kingstown* for an Allowance for Beef referred.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *George Champlin*, *Robert N. Auchmuty*, and *Henry Sherburne*, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take the Subject-Matter of the said Petition into Consideration; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed forthwith to issue Executions against the Town-Treasurers of the several Towns which have neglected to discharge the Taxes, heretofore assessed upon them by this Assembly, for the Sums now due from them respectively: and that such Executions be made returnable within the Time prescribed by Law.

Warrants to be issued for the Arrears of Taxes.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the Act of this Assembly authorizing the Commitment and Confinement of the Town-Treasurers, in the County of *Washington*, in the House lately occupied by Mr. *Robert G. Sands*, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Act making *R. G. Sands'* House a Goal repealed.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs *George Gibbs*, *Peleg Clarke*, and *Caleb Gardner*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to repair *Fort-Washington*, agreeably to the Act of this Assembly passed at May Session, A. D. 1792, empowering them to complete the said Repairs.

Committee to repair *Fort-Washington*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to apply to the Secretary at War of the United States, for the Loan of Two Brass Field Pieces, for the Use of the Artillery Company in *Newport*.

Governor to apply to the Secretary of War for the Loan of Two Field Pieces.

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Committee to receive and deliver the Offices of the Clerks of the Courts in the County of Washington.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *George Thomas*, and *Thomas Telfr*, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive from *Adam Helme*, Esq; late Clerk of the Superior Court in the County of *Washington*, and from *Mr. Stephen Haffard*, late Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace in the County aforesaid, the Seals, Books of Record, Files of Papers, and all other Things belonging to those Offices respectively, and deliver them to *James Sheldon*, Esq; the present Clerk of the said Superior Court, and to *Samuel E. Gardner*, Esq; the present Clerk of the said Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace; keeping the Offices separate and distinct, and delivering them to the proper Clerks, and giving and taking Receipts for the same.

Committee to assign the Limits of the Gaol in Bristol.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That an Act heretofore passed by this Assembly, making a Gaol of the House of *Daniel Bradford*, Esq; for the County of *Bristol*, be and the same is hereby repealed.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That *Shearjashub Bourn*, and *Loring Peck*, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to affix and ascertain suitable Limits for the Gaol-Yard in the County aforesaid; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

Resolve in Favour of *J. Brown* amended.

WHEREAS at the Session of this Assembly held in *June*, A. D. 1792, a Grant of forfeited Money was made to *Mr. Josiah Brown*, and it appears to this Assembly that the Judge who lodged the same did by Mistake enter in his Certificate the Name of *Nathaniel Brown*, instead of the Name of the said *Josiah Brown*:

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the said *Josiah Brown* be and he is hereby empowered to receive the Money granted as aforesaid, as though it had been lodged in the General-Treasury in his own Name.

Grant of forfeited Money to *D. Bartlet*.

UPON the Petition of *Mr. Daniel Bartlet*, of *Cumberland*, representing that in *July*, A. D. 1788, he lodged with *Abraham Mathewson*, Esq; one of the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Providence*, two Sums, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge two Notes of Hand due from him to *Jonathan Knowles*, of *Providence*, Housewright, which being refused, were lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since paid the said Notes in another Manner; and praying that the Money aforesaid may be returned to him: Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Daniel Bartlet* the Money actually lodged for him as aforesaid.

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UPON the Petition of *Joseph Coggeshall*, of *Middletown*, Yeoman, representing, that some Time in the Year 1787 he lodged with one of the Justices of the Superior Court £41, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note of Hand, given by him and his Father to Mr. *John Townsend*, of *Newport*, which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since paid the said Note in another Manner; and praying that the said Money may be returned to him:

Grant of forfeited Money to *J. Coggeshall*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Joseph Coggeshall* the Money actually lodged for him and his Father as aforesaid.

THE following Certificate was presented to this Assembly, to wit:

Grand Committee's Office, *Newport*, May 3, 1793.

Report of the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office.

THIS certifies, That on the 29th of *January* last I completed the Delivery of the Bills of Credit, that had been received into the Office, to the Committee appointed to receive and burn the same, amounting to *Forty-five Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-six Pounds Seven Shillings*: And that I have since that Time received *Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Two Pounds Five Shillings and Nine Pence*, which remains in the Office.

THOMAS RUMBRELL, *Keeper of said Office*.

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Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Five Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Caleb Gardner*, Esq; out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Wood provided for the Superior Court, at *October* Term last, and Court of Common Pleas, at *February* Term last, in the County of *Washington*.

C. Gardner allowed £2 5 s.

UPON the Petition of *Adam Love*, representing that his Father, *William Love*, of *Coventry*, deceased, lodged with *Stephen Potter*, Esq; then one of the Justices of the Superior Court, the Sum of *One Hundred and Twenty Pounds Twelve Shillings*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Mortgage Deed made by the said *William Love* to *Amos Kimball*, which being refused, was lodged in the

Grant of forfeited Money to *A. Love*.

General-Treasury; and that he, the said *Adam Love*, hath since paid off the said Mortgage Deed in another Way; and praying that the said Money may be paid to him: Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Adam Love* the Money actually lodged in the General-Treasury for the said *William Love*.

Grant to *B. Brown*.

UPON the Petition of Mr. *Beriah Brown*, of *Exeter*, representing that he is possessed of *Twenty Pounds Eight Shillings*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, in the Years 1775 and 1776; and praying for Payment of the same, with Interest:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to receive the said Money, and thereupon to give his Note to the said *Beriah Brown* for the same Value, in Specie, as was allowed to those who brought the Bills of Credit of the same Emissions into the General-Treasury.

J. Whitmore
allowed £. 11
9 s. 2 d. $\frac{1}{4}$

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eleven Pounds Nine Shillings and Two Pence One Farthing* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jesse Whitmore*, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Providence*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for the Maintenance and Prison-Fees of divers poor Prisoners committed at the Suit of the State, and for Repairs made on the said Gaol.

Wages of the
Justices of the
Superior
Court.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That, in Addition to the stated Fees of Office, *Fifteen Shillings* per Day be allowed to the Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize and General Gaol-Delivery, and *Twelve Shillings* per Day to each of the Assistant Justices of the said Court, for every Day they shall be in actual Service, as a Compensation for their future Services.

Act postpon-
ing the Sit-
ting of the
Court of
Common
Pleas in the
County of
Providence.

WHEREAS the next Term of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Providence*, on the Second *Monday* in *June* next, will be holden at the same Time that the Circuit Court of the United States within this State is to sit; and great Inconveniences will arise therefrom, unless a Remedy be provided:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said Term of the said Court be postponed until the Second *Monday* in *July* next: That all Writs returnable to said Court be served Twenty Days, Declarations filed Twelve Days, and Answers Six Days, before the Term of the said Court, to be holden on the Second *Monday* in *July*: And that all Executions, Returns of Jurors, and all other Matters whatsoever, returnable to the said Term, which was to have been held in *June*, be returned to the Term to be holden pursuant to this Act.

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IT is Ordered, That this Act be published in the *Providence News-Papers*.

JABEZ CHAMPLIN, Esq; Brigadier-General of the Militia in the Counties of of *Newport* and *Bristol*, having requested Leave to resign that Office :

Brigadier-General J. Champlin's Resignation accepted.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Resignation be accepted.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Melvill* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

T. Melvill allowed 18 s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *James Tew* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

J. Tew allowed 18 s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Tew* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

T. Tew allowed 18 s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Eleven Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Richards* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for cleaning the State-House, and attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

J. Richards allowed £ 15 s. 11 d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Twelve Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Ray Greene*, Esq; out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Paper and Quills, and for his Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House.

R. Greene allowed £ 2 12 s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *George Champlin*, *Noah Mathewson*, *George Thomas*, *Joseph Fry*, *Joshua Bicknal*, *William Channing*, *David Howell*, *Elisba R. Potter*, *William Bradford*, and *Ray Greene*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to take into Consideration the most suitable Times for holding the stated Terms of the Superior Court, and Courts of Common Pleas, within this State : And that they make Report to this Assembly, at the next Session, of such Alterations therein as in their Opinion will be most conducive to the Interest and Convenience of the State in general.

Committee to regulate the stated Terms of the Courts.

May, 1793.

Officers continued.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Officers who have not been re-appointed, and in whose Places others have not been chosen, be and they are hereby continued in their respective Offices until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session, with the same Power and Authority they have at any Time heretofore had.

Adjournment.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next Session: That the Secretary publish and transmit to the several Towns, in the usual Manner, Copies of the Acts and Orders now made and passed: And that this Assembly be and the same is hereby adjourned to the Second Monday in June next, then to convene in the State-House in *Newport*.

G O D save the UNITED STATES of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED:

W I T N E S S,

Henry Martineau

Printed by J. CARTER.

June, 1793.

At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden, by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the second *Monday* in *June*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-three, and in the Seventeenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The HONORABLE

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Esq. Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq.

PELLG ARNOLD, Esq.

JAMES ARNOLD, Esq.

CALEB GARDNER, Esq.

JOHN COOKE, Esq.

JAMES CONGDON, Esq.

THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq.

GEORGE BROWN, Esq.

JOB WATSON, Esq.

JOHN HARRIS, Esq.

} Assistants.

The S E C R E T A R Y.

DEPUTIES

June, 1793.

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq.*
 Mr. Edward Simmons,
 Mr. John L. Bofs,
 Mr. Peleg Clarke,
 Simeon Martin, *Esq.*

PROVIDENCE :

Charles Lippitt, *Esq.*
 John Whipple, *Esq.*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Mr. Robert Lawton,
 Mr. Matthew Slocum.

WARWICK :

Moses Arnold, *Esq.*
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*
 Rowse Babcock, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. Edward Sands,
 Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas, *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Elisha R. Potter, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

Mr. Joseph Fry,
 Mr. William Greene (Son of
Benjamin.)

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden,
 Mr. John B. Remington.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Smith, *jun.*
 Mr. Arnold Paine.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq.*

GLOCESTER :

Samuel Winsor, *Esq.*
 Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Peleg Cross, *jun.*
 Mr. Robert Congdon.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Caleb Carr, *Esq.*
 Mr. Amos Jacqways.

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq.*
 Joseph Mathewson, *Esq.*

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq.*
 Mr. Job Willcox, *jun.*

MIDDLETOWN :

Benjamin Gardner, *Esq.*
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

Mr. Samuel Wardwell,
 Loring Peck, *Esq.*

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee, *Esq.*
 Abraham Barker, *Esq.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

William Richmond, *Esq.*
 John Davis, *Esq.*

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq.*

CUMBERLAND :

Mr. Jason Newell,
 Jotham Carpenter, *Esq.*

RICHMOND :

Thomas Tefit, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Larkin.

CRANSTON :

William Warner, *Esq.*
 Caleb Williams, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*
 Mr. William Waterman.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith.

BARRINGTON :

Joshua Bicknall, *Esq.*
 Josiah Humphry, *jun. Esq.*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

RAY GREENE, *Esq.* Clerk of the Lower House.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, *Esq.* was chosen Speaker of the Lower House during the Absence of the Hon. WELCAME ARNOLD, *Esq.*

I*T is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Nine Shillings and Three Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Joseph Reynolds*, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Washington*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for the Support of *Ezekiel Hall*, a poor Prisoner committed at the Suit of the State.

J. Reynolds
allowed £ 1
9s. 3d.

THE following Report and Account were presented unto this Assembly, to wit:

IN Obedience to the Appointment of the Honorable the General Assembly, at the Session in May, A. D. 1793, we have received of *Adam Helme*, Esq. late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize and General Gaol Delivery for the County of *Washington*, all the Papers, Books of Record, Seal, and other Things belonging to the said Office, including *Forty-seven Thousand Nine Hundred and One Dollars, Two Shillings and Ten Pence*, Paper Money, of the old Continental and State Emissions, and the Sum of *Three Thousand and Fifty-one Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Nine Pence*, lawful Paper Money of this State, emitted at the Session held in May, A. D. 1786, and delivered the same to *James Sheldon*, Esq. the present Clerk of the said Court.

Report of the
Com. who
delivered the
Offices of
Clerks in the
County of
Washington.

WE have also received of Mr. *Stephen Haffard*, the late Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace for the said County, all the Papers, Books of Record, Seal, and other Things belonging to the said Office, and delivered the same to *Samuel E. Gardner*, Esq. the present Clerk of the said Court: And have given and taken proper Receipts for both Offices.

ALL which is submitted by

GEORGE THOMAS, } Committee.
THOMAS TEFFT. }

State of *Rhode-Island*, &c. to *George Thomas*, and *Thomas Tefft*, Dr.

For our Time, Horse hire, and Expences in performing the said Services, 2 Days each, at 9s. per Day, £ 1 16 0

AND the Premises being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted: And that *One Pound Sixteen Shillings*, being the Amount of the said Account, be allowed and paid to the said *George Thomas* and *Thomas Tefft*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to issue his Proclamation, declaring the pacific Disposition of this State relative to the contending Powers in

Gov. request-
ed to issue a
Proclama-
tion for the

Observation
of Neutra-
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in Europe, and commanding the Citizens thereof, upon all Occasions to observe the strictest Neutrality with the Powers at War, agreeably to the late Proclamation of the President of the United States of America on that Subject.

Error in a
State Note to
J. Noyes to
be rectified.

UPON the Petition of *Joseph Noyes*, of *Westerly*, Esq. representing that he carried several State Notes into the General-Treasury, and received Payment therefor in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State; that in Pursuance of the Act passed in *June*, A. D. 1791, he applied for his Notes, which were delivered him; but that the late General-Treasurer, in calculating the Depreciation upon the said Notes, made a considerable Mistake, to the Prejudice of the Petitioner; and praying for Relief: Which being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby empowered and directed to examine the said Notes, and in Case of Error, to rectify it, by annulling the Label affixed by the said late General-Treasurer to them, and by giving a new Certificate for the Sum actually due.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit*:

To the Honorable the General Assembly.

Grant to *N.*
Kingstown
for Beef.

THE Committee to whom the Petition of *Sylvester Gardner*, Agent for the Town of *North-Kingstown*, was referred, beg Leave to report, that he hath produced to us the Receipts of *William Rhodes*, Esq. and Col. *John Topham*, who were appointed by the State to receive Beef, for Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds Weight of Beef more than was assessed upon the said Town, for the Months of *August*, *September*, *October*, *November* and *December*, A. D. 1781; which Quantity likewise corresponds with a Report made by a Committee of the General Assembly, at *January* Session, A. D. 1782, in Favour of the said Town. We have carefully examined the Acts of the Legislature subsequent to the Delivery of the said Beef, but cannot find that the said Town hath been paid for the said Beef; although the Act of Assembly directed that such Town as furnished more than its Quota, should be allowed and paid at the Rate of *Forty Shillings*, lawful Money, per Hundred Weight for the same.

YOUR Committee are of Opinion, that the said Town is entitled to *Fifteen Pounds*, lawful Money, being the Value of the said Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds Weight of Beef: That the said Sum of *Fifteen Pounds* be endorsed on the Note the General-Treasurer holds against the said Town; that Interest be allowed thereon from the *Thirty-first Day of December*, A. D. 1781, being the Time the last Parcel of Beef was delivered: And that the Balance due to the State,

June, 1793.

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State on the said Note, together with the Interest thereon, be forthwith paid by the said Town of *North-Kingstown*.

ALL which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
HENRY SHERBURNE,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, } Committee.

Newport, June 3, 1793.

WHICH being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be and the same hereby is accepted: That the said Sum of *Fifteen Pounds*, with the Interest thereon from the *Thirty-first Day of December, A. D. 1781*, be indorsed on the said Note against the said Town of *North Kingstown*: And that the said Town forthwith pay to the General-Treasurer the Balance of the said Note with Interest.

It is Voted and Resolved, That one Set of the Journals of the Congress of the United States, at their last Session, transmitted to this State, be deposited in the Secretary's Office, and the other Set in the General-Treasurer's Office, for the Inspection of the Citizens at large.

Resolve for
Disposition
of the Jour-
nals of Con-
gress.



An ACT altering the Time of the annual Elections of the Company called *The Governor's Independent Company of Light Infantry in Providence*, and of the Company of Cavalry called *The Providence Independent Light Dragoons*, for the County of Providence.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the Day of Election of the Officers of the Company called *The Governor's Independent Company of Light Infantry in Providence*, and the Day of Election of the Officers of the Company of Cavalry called *The Providence Independent Light Dragoons for the County of Providence*, which by their respective Charters was appointed to be holden on the last *Tuesday in April*, annually, be and the same, at the Request of the said Companies, is hereby altered to the last *Monday in April*, annually: On which last mentioned Day the said Two Companies shall assemble for the Election of their Officers, in the same Manner as they are by their respective Charters empowered to assemble for that Purpose on the said last *Tuesday in April*.

As altering
the Time of
the annual
Elections of
the Light-
Infantry and
Light-Dra-
goons.

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UPON

Superior
Court to re-
consider the
Bill of Costs
taxed against
B. Page.

UPON the Petition of Mr. *Edward Dexter*, representing that he had been at considerable Expences in bringing to Justice *Benjamin Page*, who was convicted of Horse-stealing, at the Term of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize and General-Gaol Delivery, held at *Providence*, in *March* last, and was unable to pay the Costs; and praying for Relief:

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Justices of the said Court, at their next Term in the County aforesaid, be and they are hereby empowered to reconsider the Bill of Cost taxed against the said *Benjamin Page*, and to allow all such further legal Costs as were omitted therein.

Execution a-
gainst *J. Card*
stayed.

WHEREAS Mr. *Job Card*, of *North-Kingstown*, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that he was Bondsman for his Son *Bowen Card*, who was Collector of Taxes for that Town: That the said *Bowen Card* being in Arrear to the State as Collector, about *Four Hundred Dollars*, the General-Treasurer hath issued his Execution therefor, which hath been levied upon his, the Petitioner's real Estate, and the same is advertised for Sale on *Saturday* next: That if the said Estate be then sold, it will prove his total Ruin; but that if Time be allowed him he hath a reasonable Prospect of discharging the said Debt, with the Interest, and of preserving Part thereof for his Support in his old Age: And thereupon the said *Job Card* prayed for Relief: Which being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Sale of the said Estate be postponed for the Term of Six Months; that the said *Job Card* pay Interest during that Time, for the Amount of the said Execution: And that in Case the same with the Interest, be not paid before the Expiration of that Time, the said Estate be sold, to discharge the said Execution.

Petition of *J.*
Putnam re-
ferred to a
Committee.

WHEREAS Mr. *Jortan Putnam*, of *Glocester*, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that at the Term of the Superior Court of Judicature held in the County of *Providence* in *March*, A. D. 1783, he, *Rufus Harris*, *Sweeting Taast*, *Abraham Tourtellot*, and *George Hunt*, were all convicted of obstructing a Collector of Taxes, in the Execution of his Office, and were all of them committed to Gaol for the Bill of Costs, amounting to £ 212 3s. 1½d.: That the said *Sweeting Taast*, and *Abraham Tourtellot*, who were each liable for one Fifth Part thereof, escaped from their Imprisonment: That to procure his Discharge he was ordered by the General Assembly to give his Note to the General-Treasurer for the one Third Part of the said Bill of Cost: That through some Mistake of the Officers, he gave his Note for *Eighty-two Pounds Eleven Shillings and Eight Pence*, being considerably more than a Third Part of the said Bill of Cost: That the said *Sweeting Taast* hath since returned to *Glocester*, where he is possessed of considerable Property: And that if he is held to pay the whole of his Note,

it will greatly distress him and his numerous Family, in which are several small Children: And thereupon the said *Jobtan Putnam* prayed this Assembly to direct the General-Treasurer to give up to him his said Note, upon the Payment of his Fifth Part of the said Bill of Costs: Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Petition be referred to the Consideration of Messrs. *Charles Lippitt*, *John Smith*, and *Nicholas Easton*; that they report thereon to this Assembly, at the next Session: And that in the mean Time all Proceedings on the said Note be stayed.

WHEREAS Mr. *Daniel Putnam*, and *Catherine*, his Wife, and *Job Watson*, of *Jamestown*, Esq. preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that in the Year 1782 the State surrendered unto Mr. *Shrimpton Hutchinson*, an Estate lying in *Jamestown*, which had been confiscated as the Property of *Charles Ward Apthorp*:— That afterwards the said *Shrimpton Hutchinson* made a Conveyance of the said Estate to the said *Daniel Putnam* and *Catherine*, his Wife, who have since granted the same to the said *Job Watson*: And that during the Time the said Estate was in Possession of the State, to wit: From *March*, A. D. 1780, the Government received the Rents and Profits thereof, which have not been accounted for:— And thereupon the said *Daniel Putnam*, and *Catherine*, his Wife, and *Job Watson*, prayed this Assembly to make an Order for the Payment to them of the Rents which have been received by the State: On Consideration whereof,

Petition of
D. Putnam
and others
referred to a
Committee.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Petition be referred to the Consideration of Messrs. *George Champlin*, *Robert N. Auchmuty*, and *John L. Bos*; and that they make Report to this Assembly, at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That a Tax of Six Thousand Pounds be assessed and levied upon the Inhabitants of this State, to be collected and paid into the General-Treasury, on or before the First Day of *January* next: That Messrs. *John L. Bos*, *John Davis*, *Charles Lippitt*, *Noah Mathewson*, *Elisha R. Potter*, *Thomas Noyes*, *Joseph Fry*, *Joseph Mathewson*, *Ichabod Cole*, and *Samuel Wardwell*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to apportion the said Tax to the several Towns in the State; and that they make Report as soon as may be.

Resolve for
levying a
Tax.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Gloucester Light Infantry Company*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and Council, who approve the Choice, to wit:

Officers of
The Gloucester
Light Infantry

<i>Elijah Armstrong</i> , Captain,		<i>Eleazer Harris</i> , Second Lieut.
<i>Benjamin Hawkins</i> , First Lieut.		<i>Joseph Steere</i> , Ensign.

THE

June, 1793.

Officers of
The Newport
Guards.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Newport Guards*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit*:

<i>Wing Spooner</i> , Captain,	<i>David Melvill</i> , Second Lieut.
<i>John Yeamans</i> , First Lieut.	<i>Thomas Prior</i> , Ensign.

Grant of for-
feited Money
to S. Coe.

UPON the Petition of Mr. *Samuel Coe*, of *Little-Compton*, representing that in the Month of *August*, A. D. 1786, he lodged with *William Richmond*, Esq. then Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Newport*, £240 12s. in the Bills of Credit of this State, emitted in the Month of *May*, preceding, to discharge a Debt due to *William Langley*, of *Newport*, Esq. which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and praying that the same may be restored to him:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to the said *Samuel Coe*, the Money that was actually lodged on his Account, as aforesaid.



An ACT for granting and apportioning a Tax of *Six Thousand Pounds*, lawful Money, upon the Inhabitants of this State.

Apportion-
ment of the
Tax.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That a Tax for raising the Sum of *Six Thousand Pounds*, lawful Money, be granted and assessed upon the Polls and Estates of the Inhabitants of this State, and that the same be collected, and paid into the General-Treasury of this State, on or before the First Day of *January* next.

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Poll-Tax be *Three Shillings*; being *Six Pence* upon every *Thousand Pounds*: And that all male Persons of *Twenty-one Years* of Age, and upward (excepting settled Ministers of the Gospel) shall pay the Poll-Tax.

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Tax shall be and the same is hereby assessed unto and upon the several Towns in this State, in the following Proportion, *to wit*:

<i>Newport</i> shall pay	£	339	0	0
<i>Portsmouth</i> ,	-	185	5	8
<i>Jamestown</i> ,	-	105	0	0
<i>Middletown</i> ,	-	102	5	10
<i>Tiverton</i> ,	-	215	16	0

Little-Compton,

June, 1793.

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Little-Compton,	-	-	-	£168	14	0			
New-Shoreham,	-	-	-	67	4	0			
							£	1183	5 6
Providence,	-	-	-	484	0	3			
Smithfield,	-	-	-	387	10	0			
Scituate,	-	-	-	203	13	0			
Glocester,	-	-	-	302	11	7			
Cumberland,	-	-	-	178	6	3			
Cranston,	-	-	-	237	7	10			
Johnston,	-	-	-	124	13	0			
North-Providence,	-	-	-	94	17	0			
Foster,	-	-	-	138	19	2			
							£	2151	18 1
Westerly,	-	-	-	184	4	3			
North-Kingstown,	-	-	-	281	2	9			
South-Kingstown,	-	-	-	463	4	0			
Charlestown,	-	-	-	153	11	9			
Richmond,	-	-	-	133	9	10			
Hopkinton,	-	-	-	172	12	4			
Exeter,	-	-	-	193	17	3			
							£	1582	2 2
Bristol,	-	-	-	130	0	6			
Warren,	-	-	-	78	4	9			
Barrington,	-	-	-	60	15	0			
							£	269	0 3
Warwick,	-	-	-	318	15	0			
East-Greenwich,	-	-	-	153	12	0			
West-Greenwich,	-	-	-	152	8	0			
Coventry,	-	-	-	188	19	0			
							£	813	14 0
							£	6000	0 0

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Town or Towns which shall not pay in their Proportion of the said Tax, at the Time limited for the Payment thereof as aforesaid, shall pay Interest for the Sum in which they shall be deficient until the same be paid: That the Town which shall be delinquent shall be responsible therefor to the General-Treasurer: That the Collectors of Taxes in the several Towns be and they are hereby empowered and directed to collect the Interest with the Principal, from the delinquent Individuals after the aforesaid Time; and that in Case any Execution shall be issued from the General-Treasurer, against the Treasurer of any delinquent Town, the Collectors be and they are directed and empowered to collect from the Individual Delinquents, all the Costs and Expences which shall accrue thereon, in Proportion to the Sums due from such Delinquents respectively.

BE in further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Assessors, or Ratemakers, shall assess and apportion the said Tax, and
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return a true List or Bill of the same unto the Clerk of the Town to which they shall respectively belong, on or before the Fifteenth Day of *September* next, who is hereby directed and required to send a Copy thereof within Six Days from his receiving the same, to the General-Treasurer : And that the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed and required to issue his Warrant within Four Days, to the several Town-Treasurers, to be by them directed to the several Collectors of Taxes in the several Towns, requiring them, in the Governor and Company of this State, to levy, collect and pay unto the General-Treasurer for the time being, the several Sums respectively committed to them to collect.

AND be it further Enacted, That each respective Town shall pay all the Charges and Fees that shall accrue and arise, in and upon the assessing, levying, and collecting its Parts of the aforesaid Tax ; and that upon the Neglect or Refusal of any Town in this State, to assess, levy, collect, and pay into the General-Treasury their Proportion of the said Tax by the Time aforesaid, the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue his Execution against the Town-Treasurer of such Town, for its Proportion or Deficiency of the said Tax, which Execution shall be returnable in Ten Days after the Date thereof.

AND that the Town-Treasurer in each respective Town in this State be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to sue out and prosecute the Bond and Security that shall be by him taken from the Collectors of the said Tax, to a Special Court of Common Pleas, in the County where such Bond and Security shall be so taken : Which Special Court of Common Pleas shall be convened in the usual Manner, have the same Power that Special Courts have heretofore had in this State, and take the same Fees : And the Judgment of such Special Court shall be final.

AND be it further Enacted, That the Town-Clerks in the several Towns in this State be and they are hereby required to send the Names of the Town-Treasurers, and Collectors of Taxes of their respective Towns, to the General-Treasurer, at the same Time they shall send a Copy of the Rate-List.

And be it further Enacted, That the Assessors be and they are hereby empowered to consider the Circumstances of the Poor in their respective Towns, and exempt such from the Poll-Tax, as they shall think unable to pay the same.

AND it is further Enacted, That the several Towns be and they are empowered to make Choice of new Assessors, and Collectors, for assessing and collecting the said Tax. And that the aforesaid Six Thousand Pounds, be appropriated to and for such Uses as the General Assembly shall or may hereafter direct.

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AND it is further Enacted, That the said Tax be received by the Collectors, and paid into the General-Treasury, in Silver or Gold, or in the Notes of the *Providence Bank*, or in Paper Money, emitted by this State in *May*, A. D. 1786, at the established Rate of Exchange, or in Orders drawn on the General-Treasury. *Provided nevertheless*, That the Notes of the *Providence Bank* being made receivable in the present Tax, shall not be drawn into Precedent.

AND be it further Enacted, That the Secretary be and he is hereby directed to send Copies of this Act to each and every Town-Treasurer in this State, within Twenty Days after the Rising of this Assembly, to be by him delivered to the Assessors or Rate-makers of his Town. And the several Collectors of Taxes are hereby directed and required to use all Diligence in collecting and paying the same into the General-Treasury, before or at the Time limited by this Act.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Ninety Pounds* be allowed and *H. Ward* also paid to *Henry Ward*, Esq. on Account of his Services as Secretary, ^{lowed £90.} since *June*, A. D. 1792, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that he be accountable for the same.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Fourteen Shillings and a Penny Three Farthings* be allowed and paid, out of the General- ^{lowed £ 1} Treasury, to *William Davis*, Esq. in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Materials provided by him for making the Alterations in the Chamber of the Deputies, in the State-House in *Newport*; ordered at the last Session, and overseeing the Workmen. ^{14. 1 1/2.}

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-Eight Pounds Sixteen Shillings* be allowed and paid, out of the General-Treasury, to Mr. *John Carr*, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of a Pay-Abstract by him exhibited for his own Wages as Gunner of *Fort-Washington*, and for the Wages of *George W. Carr*, an Oarsman, from *May 8*, A. D. 1792, to *May 8*, A. D. 1793, at *One Pound Four Shillings* per Month, each. ^{J. Carr allowed £ 28 16s.}

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jonathan Lawton*, jun. out of the General- ^{J. Lawton, jun. allowed £ 1 7s.} Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Work done upon the State House in *Newport*.

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M. Moulton allowed £ 1 1s. *IT is Voted and Resolved,* That One Pound One Shilling be allowed and paid to Mr. *Michael Moulton*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Work done upon the State-House in *Newport*.

T. Stevens allowed £ 1 12s. *IT is Voted and Resolved,* That One Pound Twelve Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Stevens*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Steel Springs furnished by him for the Windows in the State-House in *Newport*.

J. Lawrence allowed 18s. *IT is Voted and Resolved,* That Eighteen Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Joseph Lawrence*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for making a fair Copy of the Militia Bill, prepared by a Committee of this Assembly.

Resolve respecting Pelham Street Lottery. *IT is Voted and Resolved,* That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to deliver the Bond given by the Managers of Pelham Street Lottery to the Committee of the Town of *Newport*, appointed to receive the same; to the End that a Suit may be commenced for the Recovery of the Money that may be due thereon.

Report upon the Account for building the Gaol in Washington County. WHEREAS the following Statement of an Account, and Report of a Committee thereon, were presented to this Assembly, *to wit* :
State of *Rhode-Island, &c.* in Account Current with the Committee for building the Gaol in *South-Kingstown*, Dr.

1793.	}	To the Amount of sundry Accounts for	
June 13.		Materials provided for, and Work done, in building the said Gaol, as by the Account of Particulars herewith presented,	£ 604 7 10 $\frac{3}{4}$
		To our Services and Expences in providing the Materials, and overseeing the Workmen,	90 0 0
			<hr/> £ 694 7 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ <hr/>

Creditor.

1790.	}	By Cash received of the General-Treasurer, £ 2100 in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, which was expended at the Rate of 20 for 1,	£ 105 0 0
Feb. 5.			1792.

1792.	By Ditto £ 1350, which was expended	
Jan. 10.	at the Rate of 18 for 1,	£75 0 0
March 20.	By Ditto £ 2250, which was expended	
	at the Rate of 16 for 1,	140 12 6
June 23.	By Ditto £ 1800, which was expended	
	at the Rate of 16 for 1,	112 10 0
1793.	By Ditto £ 1350, which was expended	
March 1.	at the Rate of 16 for 1,	84 7 6
June 13.	By Balance due to the Committee,	16 17 10 ³ / ₄
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		£ 694 7 10 ³ / ₄

Errors excepted, per

SAMUEL J. POTTER,
ROWLAND BROWN.

WE the Subscribers being appointed by the Honorable the General Assembly, at their Session in *October*, A. D. 1792, a Committee to audit the Accounts of the Committee for building the new Gaol in the County of *Washington*, beg Leave to report, that agreeably to our Appointment we have carefully examined the Accounts for the Materials, and for the Services of the Mechanics and Labourers presented by the Honorable *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq. one of said Committee, and find the Charges regularly made, and well vouched, and herewith present a Statement of the Account; and that it appears, by Certificates from the General-Treasurer, that they have received no more Money than they have given Credit for in the said Statement. The Committee have charged *Ninety Pounds* for their Services; whether the same be reasonable or not we conceive is not within our Province to determine.

Which is submitted by

GEORGE THOMAS,
THOMAS TEFFT,
ELISHA R. POTTER, } Committee.

And the Premises being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be and the same is hereby accepted; and that the Sum of *Ninety Pounds* be allowed and paid to the said *Samuel J. Potter* and *Rowland Brown*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, in Discharge of the said Account; exclusive of the Commissions which may be allowed, the Consideration of which is referred.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to receive from Mr. *Jerathmesl Bowers*, of *Somer-* A new Note to be given to
set, J. Bowers.

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set, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a State Note for Four Hundred and Eighteen Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Three Pence, given to him on the 8th Day of March, A. D. 1771: And that he calculate simple Interest thereon, and give the said *Jerathmeel Bowers* a new Note for the Amount, payable with Interest, at the Rate of Six per Cent. per Annum.

Governor.
allowed £100,
and the De-
puty-Govern-
or £50.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Hundred Pounds be allowed to his Excellency the Governor, and Fifty Pounds to his Honor the Deputy-Governor, as a Compensation for their Services in the Discharge of those Offices, from May, A. D. 1792, to May, A. D. 1793; and that the same be paid them, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Com. to ad-
just the Ac-
counts of a
Lottery to
repair the
South Post-
Road to Vol-
untown.

WHEREAS Messrs. *George Waterman*, *Bernard Mathewson*, and *Harding Harris*, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that they were appointed Managers of a Lottery granted by this Assembly at February Session, A. D. 1791, to repair the Road leading from *Providence*, through *Cranston* and *Scituate*, to *Voluntown*: That they have drawn the said Lottery, and appropriated Part of the Money to the Uses intended: And that in the Act granting the said Lottery no Way is pointed out whereby Compensation may be made to them for their Services: And thereupon they prayed this Assembly to appoint a Committee to adjust their Accounts, with Power to make them a reasonable Allowance for their Services: Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *John Harris*, of *Scituate*, Esq. *Mr. Stephen Randall*, of *Providence*, and *William Tyler*, of *Foster*, Esq. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to adjust the said Accounts, and empowered to make such Allowance out of the Proceeds of said Lottery to the said Managers for their Services, as they shall think reasonable: *Provided*, that no Expence accrue to the State in Consequence of this Appointment.

Com. to ex-
amine the
Treasury re-
specting Se-
curities paid
for Taxes.
&c.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *George Champlin*, and *Robert N. Auchmuty*, Esqrs. with the General-Treasurer, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the several Species of Paper and Certificates which have been paid into the General-Treasury for Taxes, or otherwise, and now remain there uncanceled: That they distinguish, as accurately as may be, such Certificates as were received from Individuals in Lieu of Paper Money, by the Collectors of Taxes, or exchanged at the Treasury therefor, pursuant to Acts of this Assembly: That they also describe such as it may be proper to cancel or destroy, from such as ought to be preserved: And that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Justice for
Cumberland.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Holliman Warner*, Esq. be and he is hereby appointed a Justice of the Peace, for the Town of *Cumberland*, in Addition to those elected at the last Session.

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IT is Voted and Resolved, That Mr. John Wanton (Son of James) be and he is hereby appointed Captain of Fort Washington, in the Township of Newport. Capt. of Fort Washington.

WHEREAS it is represented unto this Assembly, that a sufficient Time hath not been allowed for adjusting the Claims of the State against the Merchants in Providence, for Duties upon Goods imported agreeably to the Act passed by this Assembly at the last Session : Com. respecting Drawbacks continued.

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the Committee appointed by the said Act be and they are hereby continued a Committee for the Purposes of their Appointment ; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the following Officers be appointed in the Town of Glocester, to wit : Officers appointed.

Silas Williams, Esq. a Justice of the Peace, in Addition to those elected at the last Session.

Simeon Steere, Lieutenant of the Senior Class Company.

Jesse Cooke, Ensign of the Second Company of Infantry.

WHEREAS Robert N. Auchmuty, Esq. and Mr. John L. Boss, who were appointed by the Lower-House a Committee to audit the Accounts of Messrs. Gibbs and Channing, for Materials provided for, and Repairs made upon Fort Washington, presented unto this Assembly an Account by the said Gibbs and Channing exhibited to them, and the following Report thereon, to wit : Gibbs and Channing allowed £ 93 4s 5½d.

THE Committee appointed by the Lower-House to audit the Accounts of Messrs. Gibbs and Channing, beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the said Accounts with the Vouchers, and find the Amount thereof, being *Ninety-three Pounds Four Shillings and Five Pence Halfpenny*, to be due to the said Gibbs and Channing.

WHICH is submitted by

ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,
JOHN L. BOSS.

AND the said Report being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same be and hereby is accepted ; and that the said Sum of *Ninety-three Pounds, Four Shillings and Five Pence Halfpenny*, be paid to the said Gibbs and Channing, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Resolve respecting Petitions pending.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Petitions presented to this Assembly, and now entered on the Docket of the Clerk of the Lower-House, by Persons in Prison, or who have petitioned for the Benefit of the Insolvent Act, though not yet committed to Prison, be so far received, that the Petitioners be liberated from Gaol until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session, upon their giving Bonds to the Satisfaction of the several Sheriffs of the Counties where they are or may be committed, to return to Gaol immediately after the Rising of of this Assembly at the next Session, in Case their respective Petitions be not received, or if received and not finally granted.

Militia Bill to be sent to the Towns.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Secretary cause as many Copies of the Militia Bill, as reported by a Committee to form the same, by the General Assembly, to be printed as there are Towns in the State, within Ten Days after the Rising of this Assembly, and forthwith transmit a Copy, thus printed, to each Town-Clerk in the State; who is hereby directed to read the same in open Town-Meeting, at the first Meeting of the Freemen after the Reception thereof.

Com. to adjust the Accounts of G. Stillman.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thomas Noyes*, and *Rowse Babcock*, Esqrs. be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *George Stillman*, Esq. for repairing *Pawcatuck Bridge*.

Grant of £40 for repairing Pawcatuck Bridge.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That the said *Rowse Babcock* be and he is hereby appointed to have the Care, in future, of repairing the said Bridge: That *Forty Pounds* be allowed to the said *Rowse Babcock*, for that Purpose; and paid him out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that he make Report of his Proceedings, to this Assembly.

T. Melvill allowed £1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Melvill*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter.

T. Tew allowed £1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Tew*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter.

R. Greene allowed £3 16s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Sixteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Ray Greene*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the

the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Paper Quills, and his Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower-House.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Richards*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter. J. Richards allowed £ 1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *James Tew*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter. J. Tew allowed £ 1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *James Jerauld*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly as a Waiter, at the Session held in *February* last. J. Jerauld allowed £ 1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General Assembly which of Course is to be holden on the last *Wednesday* in *October* next, be held at the State-House in *South-Kingstown*, on the last *Monday* in that Month. Any Law or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding. New Assembly to meet on Monday.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Officers who have not been re-appointed, and in whose Places others have not been elected at this and the last Session, be and they are hereby continued in their respective Offices, until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session, with as full Power and Authority as they have at any Time heretofore had. Officers continued.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next Session: That the Acts and Orders now made and passed be published, and Copies of them transmitted by the Secretary within Thirty Days after the Rising of this Assembly, to the several Sheriffs in this State, by them to be forwarded to the Town-Clerks in their respective Counties: And that this Assembly stand adjourned to the *Saturday* next preceding the last *Monday* in *October* next, then to convene at *South-Kingstown*, if then called by his Excellency the Governor; but if not called before, nor at that Time, that then this Assembly be and hereby is dissolved. Adjournment.

G O D save the United States of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY DULY EXAMINED:
W I T N E S S,

Henry Ward

At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden, at *South-Kingstown*, within and for the State aforeſaid, on the laſt *Monday* in *October*, in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and Ninety-three, and in the Eighteenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Eſquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The H O N O R A B L E

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Eſq. Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Eſq.

PELEG ARNOLD, Eſq.

CALEB GARDNER, Eſq.

JAMES CONGDON, Eſq.

THOMAS HOXSIE, Eſq.

GEORGE BROWN, Eſq.

JOB WATSON, Eſq.

JOHN HARRIS, Eſq.

Assistants.

SAMUEL SAMPSON, Eſq. Deputy-Secretary.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq.*
 Mr. Nicholas Taylor,
 Mr. John L. Bofs,
 Mr. Christopher Fowler,
 Simeon Martin, *Esq.*

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq.*
 Charles Lippitt, *Esq.*
 John Smith, *Esq.*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Mr. Matthew Slocum.

WARWICK :

Moses Arnold, *Esq.*
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
 Mr. Joseph Brown.

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*
 Rowse Babcock, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. William Littlefield,
 Mr. Edward Sands.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas, *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Elisha R. Potter, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

Mr. William Greene (*Son of Benjamin.*)

Mr. George Tillinghast.

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden, *sen.*
 Mr. Isaac Howland.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. Arnold Paine,
 Mr. Henry Jenckes.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq.*

GLOCESTER :

Samuel Winfor, *Esq.*
 Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Robert Congdon,
 Mr. Edward Wilcox.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Caleb Carr, *Esq.*
 Mr. Amos Jacqways.

COVENTRY :

Joseph Mathewson, *Esq.*

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq.*
 Mr. Job Willcox.

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. Easton Bailey,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

Mr. Samuel Wardwell,
 Loring Peck, *Esq.*

TIVERTON :

None.

LITTLE-COMPTON :

Mr. George Simmons,
 Mr. Isaac Baley.

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq.*

CUMBERLAND :

Mr. Jason Newell,
 Jotham Carpenter, *Esq.*

RICHMOND :

Thomas Tefft, *Esq.*
 Mr. Samuel Larkin.

CRANSTON :

William Warner, *Esq.*
 Caleb Williams, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith.
 Mr. Jeremiah Sayles.

BARRINGTON :

Josiah Humphry, *Esq.*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

The Honorable WELCOME ARNOLD, *Esq.* was chosen Speaker, and
 SAMUEL EDDY, *Esq.* Clerk of the Lower House.

A GREEABLY to the Report of a Committee appointed by the Lower-House,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eleven Pounds Nine Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Robert Reynolds*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full Discharge of his Account, to the 22d Day of *March* last, for Boarding and providing Cloaths for *Potter Gardner*, a State Pauper, &c. *R. Reynolds* allowed £. 11 9s.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit*:

Grand Committee Office, Newport, October 30, A.D. 1793.

I do hereby certify, that there hath been paid into the Grand Committee's Office, since the 29th Day of *January* last past, in Discharge of the Principal of Mortgage Deeds, the Sum of *Five Thousand, One Hundred and Twenty-eight Pounds, Nineteen Shillings and Six Pence*.

THOMAS RUMREILL, Keeper of said Office.

£. 5128 19s. 6d.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted; and that Messrs. *George Champlin*, *Robert N. Auchmuty*, and *John L. Bots*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to receive the said Money from the said *Thomas Rumreill*, and to burn the same.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Four Pounds Ten Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Robert Adam*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for a large Book of Records for the Secretary's Office. *R. Adam* allowed £. 4 10s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Seventeen Pounds Two Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Carter*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account to *October* 26th instant, for printing Schedules, Proclamations, &c. *J. Carter* allowed £. 17 2s.

THE following Return of Officers of the Independent Company called *The Governor's Independent Company of Light-Infantry in the Town of Providence*, in the Room of those who resigned, was made to His Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit*:

Seril Dodge, First Lieutenant,
Christopher Hill, Second Lieutenant,
George Gordon, Ensign.

THE

Com. to burn
Money in the
Grand Com-
mittee's Of-
fice.

Officers of
Providence
Light-Infan-
try.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit* :

Report respecting the
General-
Treasury.

To the Honorable the General Assembly, to be holden at *South-Kingstown*, on the last *Monday* in *October*, *A. D.* 1793.

THE Committee who were appointed at the Session in *June* last to examine the several Species of Paper and Certificates which have been paid into the General-Treasury, for Taxes or otherwise, and now remain there uncanceled, offer the following Report:—That we have carefully and attentively examined the Treasury-Office, and there find the following Species of Paper, Money, Certificates, &c. which have been brought in, by Taxes or otherwise, *to wit* :—Four Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty-one Certificates, for Interest on the Loan-Office, and liquidated Debt of the United States, amounting to *Sixty-five Thousand Nine Hundred and Twelve Dollars, and Seventy-seven Ninetieths*, Specie:—Four Thousand Eight Hundred and Forty-nine Certificates issued for Militia Service, in the Alarm of *July*, *A. D.* 1780, amounting to *Four Hundred and Sixteen Thousand Three Hundred and Fourteen Pounds Two Shillings and Ten Pence*, old Continental Money:—Four Hundred and Fifty-seven Certificates issued in Favour of Col. *Jeremiah Olney*, for Back-Pay due to his Regiment, amounting to *Four Hundred and Forty-one Pounds and Six Pence*, Specie:—Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty-two Certificates issued by *Thomas Rumrell* and *John Handy*, Esquires, for Militia Service, amounting to *Sixteen Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty-two Pounds Three Shillings and One Farthing*, Specie:—*Two Hundred and Fifty-four Pounds Eleven Shillings and Four Pence*, lawful Money, of the Emissions of the Years 1758, 1760, 1762, 1766, and 1767, brought into the Office by *Mary Thurston*, for which the General Assembly ordered her Payment:—*Three Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence*, of the Paper Money of the Emission of *May*, *A. D.* 1786, returned by the Trustees of divers Towns, unloaned:—*Eighteen Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty-nine Pounds Ten Shillings and Seven Pence Three Farthings*, in Impost Orders; of which Sum *One Thousand and Fourteen Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight Pence* was received in Taxes, or paid off in Paper Money:—Fourteen Hundred and One Sheep Certificates, amounting to *Twelve Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds Seven Shillings and Six Pence*:—One Hundred and Twenty-nine Flax Certificates, amounting to *One Hundred and Twelve Pounds Three Shillings and Four Pence Three Farthings*; nearly all of which two last mentioned Sums were brought into the General-Treasury by Collectors of Taxes.

BESIDES the afore-enumerated Kinds of Paper Money and Certificates, we find in the Office Paper Money Bills emitted by the State, in the Years 1775 and 1776, Card Notes, so called, Four per Cent. Notes, and Notes that were issued by an Act passed at *May* Session, *A. D.* 1778, all which have been redeemed by Order of the Legislature, at different Periods, by issuing new Notes therefor; the

the exact Amount will be very difficult to ascertain, without much Time and Trouble, no Account having been raised in the Books to shew the Amount brought into the Office, nor is the Time to which Interest is calculated, specified, and many of the Bundles of the Paper Money Bills are broken to Pieces.

FROM the Impossibility that appears of ascertaining with Certainty, to whom the Impost Orders, Sheep and Flax Certificates, &c. that were paid in Taxes belong, your Committee are of Opinion, that the whole of the different Kinds of State Notes, Impost Orders, Certificates and Paper-Money Bills issued by this State, be committed to the Flames : Excepting the Four Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty-one Certificates, amounting to *Sixty-five Thousand Nine Hundred and Twelve Dollars*, and *Seventy-seven Ninetieths*, which were paid by this State, at the special Request of Congress, in Discharge of the Interest on the Loan Office, and liquidated Debt of the United States ; which we think it will be most prudent to preserve, until the final Determination and Settlement of our Accounts with the United States be known.

WE also find in the Office (which appears to have been mislaid by the late General-Treasurer) One final Settlement Certificate, issued by *Edward Chinn*, Commissioner, in Favour of the State, for the Rent of the Farm late *George Rome's*, amounting to *Three Hundred and Thirteen Dollars and Thirty Ninetieths*, Specie, and Two Facilities, amounting to *Forty-five Dollars* ; both which can be loaned to the United States.

WHICH is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	} Committee.
HENRY SHERBURNE,	
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,	

Newport, October 21, 1793.

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be and the same is hereby accepted : That Messrs. *George Champlin*, *Robert N. Auchmuty*, and *John L. Bos*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to burn the several Certificates, Notes and Paper Money Bills mentioned in the said Report ; excepting such of them as are excepted therein : And that the said Committee make an accurate List of the said Certificates, Notes, and Paper Money, previous to their burning the same.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Nine Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jonathan Southwick*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie; or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for the Hire of a Boat, employed as a Guard-Boat, on Account of the contagious Disease prevailing in *Philadelphia*.

J. Southwick
allowed £. 3
9¹.

J. Perry allowed £. 20
14s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Twenty Pounds Fourteen Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Joseph Perry*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or Paper Money emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for his own Service, and that of Two Men, on board a Guard Boat, on Account of the contagious Disease prevailing in *Philadelphia*, from *October 10 to November 1, A. D. 1793.*

Guards dismissed.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. Joseph Perry, Edward Perry, Jonathan Southwick, and Joseph Barker, who were employed as Guards, upon Account of the contagious Disease prevailing in *Philadelphia*, be dismissed and discharged from that Service on the First Day of *November, A. D. 1793.*

E. Perry allowed £. 6
18s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Edward Perry*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for the Hire of a Boat, employed as a Guard-Boat, on Account of the contagious Disorder prevailing in *Philadelphia.*

J. Barker allowed £. 20
14s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Twenty Pounds Fourteen Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Joseph Barker*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for the Services of himself and Two Men, on board of the Schooner *Fly*, which was employed as a Guard-Vessel, to prevent the Introduction of the contagious Distemper prevailing in *Philadelphia.*

Resolve for a Thanksgiving.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That His Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to issue his Proclamation, assigning *Thursday the Twenty-eighth Day of November, A. D. 1793,* to be observed as a Day of public Thanksgiving and Prayer, throughout this State.

Warrant to issue for collecting Hopkinton Tax.

WHEREAS the Assessors of Taxes for the Town of *Hopkinton* did not assess that Town's Proportion of the State Tax ordered in *June* last, within the Time prescribed by Law, but have since assessed the same :

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to issue his Warrant, empowering the Collector of Taxes for the said Town to collect the said Tax, so assessed, in the same Manner as though the said Tax had been assessed, and the Warrant for collecting the same had been issued seasonably.

Com. to audit the Accounts of the late Collectors of Impost.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. John L. Bots, Nicholas Easton, and William Greene, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to audit the Accounts of *Ebenezer Thompson, Esq.* and Mr. *John Wanton*, the late Collectors of the State's Impost; and that they make Report to this Assembly, at the next Session.

AT

At the Request of the Town of *Cumberland*, It is Voted and Resolved, That the Militia in that Town be divided, and formed into Three Companies, in the following Manner, to wit: By a Line drawn from the House of *Levi Ballou*, Esq. Southerly to the House of *Mr. Jonathan Mason*, from thence to the House of *Mr. Thomas Joslin*, from thence to the House of *Mr. Abraham Sprague*, and from thence Westerly, to the House of *Mr. Timothy Mason*: That the Soldiers in said Houses, and to the Westward of said Line, form One Company: Thence running from the said *Abraham Sprague's* House, Easterly, to the House of *Mr. Isaac Raze*, from thence to the House of *Mr. John Whipple*, and *Mr. Daniel Peck Whipple*, and from thence to the House of *Mr. John Bishop*; that all the Soldiers in those Houses, and to the Northward of the last mentioned Line, and to the Eastward of the first mentioned Line, from the said *Levi Ballou's* to the said *Abraham Sprague's*, make One Company: That the Remainder of the Town to the Southward of the said East and West Line form One Company: That the Company formerly commanded by Capt. *John Walcott* be known by the Name of the first Company: That the Company formerly under the Command of Capt. *William Ballou* be known by the Name of the Second Company: And that the Company above set off from the Easterly Part of the said Town be known by the Name of the Third Company.

Militia in
Cumberland
divided into
Three Com-
panies.

BOTH Houses being resolved into a Grand Committee, made Choice of the undernamed Gentlemen, to sustain the Offices ascribed to them respectively, to wit: Officers chosen.

Jonathan Comstock, Esq. Third Assistant, in the Room of *James Arnold*, Esq. deceased.

Ray Greene, Esq. Attorney-General, in the Room of *William Channing*, Esq. deceased.

Daniel Sunderlin, Esq. Fifth Justice of the Court of Common Pleas and General Sessions of the Peace within and for the County of *Washington*.

John Butterworth Lieutenant, and *Amos Arnold* Ensign, of the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *Cumberland*.

Baruch Aldrich Lieutenant, and *Ezekiel Ballou* Ensign, of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *Cumberland*.

Isaac Otis Captain, *Squire Aldrich* Lieutenant, and *Thomas Allen* Ensign, of the Third Company of Infantry in the Town of *Cumberland*.

UPON the Petition of *Mr. Hezekiah Babcock*, of *South-Kingstown*, representing, that in *August*, A. D. 1786, he tendered to *Mr. Stephen Ayrault* Grant of forfeited Money to *H. Babcock*

Ayrault the Sum of *Seventy-four Pounds*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State in *May, A. D. 1786*; that the same, having been refused by him, was lodged in the General-Treasury, agreeably to Law; and that he hath since paid the said Debt in another Manner; and praying that the Money so lodged may be restored to him:

IT is Voiced and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Petition be granted; and that the General-Treasurer pay to the said *Hezekiah Babcock* the Money which was actually lodged on the abovementioned Account.

J. Stanton,
jun. allowed
£. 30.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirty Pounds* be allowed and paid to *Joseph Stanton*, jun. Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that it Discharge so much of his Demands upon the Estates of *George Rome*, and *Edward Cole*, Absentees.



As respecting
the Fish-
ery in *Patu-
catuck River*.

WHEREAS the Town of *Westerly* preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that by the existing Laws of the State the Inhabitants are prohibited, under heavy Penalties, from making any Wear, or setting or drawing any Sein in or across the River called *Patucatuck River*: That the State of *Connecticut* permits her Citizens to make Wears, and set and draw Seins in the said River, wherever they see fit; which renders the Laws of this State in that Respect nugatory; and that in Consequence thereof the Citizens of this State are obliged to purchase of the Inhabitants of *Connecticut*, at an annual Expence of upwards of *Ninety Pounds*, Specie, the Privilege of fishing in the said River: And thereupon the said Town of *Westerly* prayed this Assembly to repeal all, or such Parts of the Laws of this State as obstruct or hinder the Inhabitants of this State from fishing in the said River Four Days in each Week, until the State of *Connecticut* shall meet with this upon the Regulations of the said Fishery, and give all the Inhabitants of this State an equal Privilege therein: Which being duly considered,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That all Parts and Clauses of the existing Laws of this State, which obstruct or hinder the Inhabitants of this State from the Privilege of fishing in the said River Four Days in each Week, be and the same are hereby repealed, and rendered Void.



W. Taggart
allowed £ 18
12s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Pounds Twelve Shillings* be allowed and paid to *William Taggart*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services as one of the Justices of the Superior Court.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirteen Pounds Five Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Samuel Elam*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services as one of the Committee for settling the Accounts of the Merchants in *Providence*, for Bounties and Drawbacks upon Goods exported.

S. Elam allowed £13 5s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Six Pounds Fifteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Charles Wheaton*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services as one of the Committee for settling the Accounts of the Merchants in *Providence*, for Bounties and Drawbacks upon Goods exported.

C. Wheaton allowed £6 15s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Nine Pounds* be allowed and paid to *Noah Matthewson*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services as one of the Committee appointed to adjust the Demands of the Merchants in *Providence*, for Bounties and Drawbacks upon Goods exported.

N. Matthewson allowed £9.

AGREEABLY to the Report of the Committee appointed by the Lower House, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Nine Pounds Five Shillings and Four Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Samuel Phillips*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for boarding *Tony Rome*, a State Pauper, to October 14, A. D. 1793, and for several Articles of Cloathing, provided for him.

S. Phillips allowed £9 5s. 4d.

AGREEABLY to the Report of the Committee appointed by the Lower House, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That *Two Pounds Eleven Shillings and Four Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Vincent Gardner*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for boarding *Potter Gardner*, a State Pauper, to the 17th Day of June last.

V. Gardner allowed £2 11s. 4d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Five Pounds Two Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *William Page*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for his Services as a Guard, placed by his Excellency the Governor, at *Field's Point*, to prevent the Introduction of the contagious Distemper prevailing at *Philadelphia*.

W. Page allowed £5 2s.

Grant to H.
Ward £45.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Forty-five Pounds* be allowed and paid to *Henry Ward, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, on Account of his Services as Secretary of the State; and that he be accountable for the same.

Com. to au-
dit H. Ward's
Account.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *Noah Matthewson, John Smith, and Samuel Nightingale*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of *Henry Ward, Esq.* with the State; and that they make Report to this Assembly, at the next Session.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That no further Allowance be made to the said *Henry Ward*, until his Accounts shall be exhibited for Settlement.

W. Cooke al-
lowed £27
6s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-seven Pounds Six Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Walter Cooke, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services, as one of the Justices of the Superior Court.

E. Gardner
jun. allowed
£27 6s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-seven Pounds Six Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Ezekiel Gardner, jun. Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services, as one of the Justices of the Superior Court.

T. Tillinghast
allowed £32
8s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirty-Two Pounds Eight Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Thomas Tillinghast, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services, as one of the Justices of the Superior Court.

J. Whitmore
allowed £5
11s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Five Pounds Eleven Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Mr. Jesse Whitmore*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon the Committee for settling the Claims of the Merchants in *Providence*, for Bounties and Drawbacks on Goods exported, and for other Services performed by Order of the said Committee.

Grant to B.
Fowler.

WHEREAS *Mr. Benjamin Fowler*, of *North-Kingstown*, preferred a Petition to this Assembly, representing, that he hath a Demand against the Estate of *Samuel Boone*, Part of which hath been confiscated for the Use of this State, and praying to be allowed for the same: And whereas a Committee appointed by the Lower-House upon the aforesaid Petition, presented unto this Assembly the following Report, *to wit*:

WE

W^h the Subscribers, agreeably to our Appointment, having examined into the Demand of Mr. *Benjamin Fowler*, upon the Estate of *Samuel Boone*, report, that the same is founded upon a Note of Hand, from the Amount of which the Value of a String of Stone Wall is to be deducted: That we have allowed simple Interest upon the Note, and deducted the Value of the Stone Wall; and that we find a Balance due to the said *Benjamin Fowler*, of *Fifteen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence*, Specie.

WHICH is submitted by

GEORGE THOMAS,
DANIEL UPDIKE.

ALL which being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted: And that the General-Treasurer give his promissory Note to the said *Benjamin Fowler*, for the said Sum of *Fifteen Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Six Pence*, in the same Manner as Notes have heretofore been given for Demands of a similar Nature.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Sixteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jonathan Almy*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for the Rent, for Eight Months, from the First Day of *March* last, of One Third of a House and Lot of Land, in *Newport*, being the Dower of Mrs. *Freelove Eldred*. J. Almy allowed £. 2 16s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Fifty-three Pounds Eleven Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Daniel Owen*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Services as Chief Justice of the Superior Court, in the Years 1791, 1792, and in the present Year. D. Owen allowed £. 53 11s.

It is Voied and Resolved, That Mr. *Hazard Dyre* be and he is hereby appointed Ensign of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *North-Kingstown*. Militia Officer for N. Kingstown.



W^HEREAS a Number of Persons, to wit: *Daniel Stillwell*, *John Carlile*, 2d. *John Davis*, *Jeremiah F. Jenkins*, *Bennett Wheeler*, *Joseph Allen*, *Metcaif Bowler*, *Nathan Mathewson*, *William Barton*, *Samuel Sampson*, *Caleb Ormsbee*, *Nathaniel Smith*, *Samuel Eddy*, *Olney Fuller*, *Zebediah Farnum*, *Job Sheldon*, *Joseph S. Barker*, *Payton Dana*, *William Wilkinson*, *Seabury Scule*, *Amos M. Atwell*, *Daniel Branch*, *Asa Allen*, *John Forbes*, *Ezekiel Burr*, *John Field*, jun. *Joseph Tillinghast*, *Philip Robinson*, *John Gibbs*, *Robert Davis*, Charter for St. John's Lodge in Providence.
Simeon

Simeon Thayer, Richard E. Updike, Samuel Welch, Seth Wheaton, Joseph Bridgham, Obadiab Brown, Joseph Cooke, Samuel Snow, Ebenezer Johnson, Alexis Tette, Ebenezer R. Frost, John Francis, John Bowers (Somerset) Elijah Ormsbee, Howell Williams, Jabez Bowen, Stephen Randall, Thomas Dring, Thomas Sessions, and William F. Magee, stiling themselves Members of St. John's Lodge, of free and accepted Masons in the Town of Providence and its Vicinity, have in their Petition to this General-Assembly set forth, That they have been established a great Number of Years; and that the Funds they have been able to obtain (except such Parts as were wanted for necessary Expences) have been appropriated for the Relief of distressed and sick Brethren, and their Families, and have prayed that they may be incorporated as a Body politic and corporate, for the Purpose of securing such Funds as they have, or may hereafter from Time to Time possess:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the aforesaid Petitioners, and all others who now are, or may hereafter by them be admitted Members of the said Society, be and they are hereby constituted, erected, and made a Body, politic and corporate, to subsist at all Times forever hereafter, in Deed and Name, by the Name of The Master, Wardens, and Brethren of St. John's Lodge of free and accepted Masons, No. 1, in the Town of Providence; and by that Name shall and may have perpetual Succession; and be Persons able and capable in Law, to have, hold, receive and enjoy, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Rents, in fee Simple, or for Term of Life, Lives, Years, or otherwise; and also Goods and Chattels, and all other Things, of what Nature, Kind or Quality soever, and also to give, grant, let, sell, or assign the same Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels, and to do and execute all other Things about the same; and also that they and their Successors, by the Name aforesaid, be forever hereafter capable and liable to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended against, in all or any of the Courts of Law, or otherwise, by any of the Judges, Justices, or other Persons whomsoever, in all Manner of Actions, Complaints or Pleas, whatsoever; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for them and their Successors forever hereafter to have one common Seal for their Use, and the same at their Will and Pleasure to change and alter.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Petitioners, and their Successors, to choose the Master, Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary, and all other Officers they may think proper, and for such Length of Time as they have heretofore, or may hereafter determine; and to make such Laws and Regulations for the well-governing of the said Master, Wardens and Brethren, as they shall deem necessary, provided they are not repugnant to the Laws of this State.

AND

AND be it further Enacted, That Daniel Stillwell be the first Master, John Francis and John Carlile, 2d. the first Wardens, Jeremiah Fones Jenkins the first Treasurer, and Bennett Wheeler, the first Secretary; to continue for such a Length of Time as has been heretofore the Custom of the said Society.



WHEREAS a Number of Persons, to wit: Moses Seixas, Christopher Champlin, George Gibbs, Peleg Clarke, Henry Sherburne, John Handy, Christopher Fowler, William Ladd, William Davis, John L. Bos, Robert N. Auchmuty, William Littlefield, Charles Wheaton, Wing Spooner, and others, styling themselves Members of St. John's Lodge of free and accepted Masons, in Newport, have in their Petition to this Assembly set forth, That they have been established upwards of Forty Years; and that the Funds of said Lodge (except such Parts as are wanted for necessary Expences) are appropriated for the Relief of distressed and sick Brethren, and for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of Brethren, who may be left in indigent Circumstances; and have prayed that they may be incorporated, as a Body politic and corporate, for the Purpose of securing such Funds as they now have, or may from Time to Time hereafter possess:

Charter for
St. John's
Lodge in
Newport:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the aforesaid Petitioners, and all others who now are, or may hereafter by them be admitted Members of their said Body, be and they are hereby constituted, erected, and made a Body, politic and corporate, to subsist at all Times forever hereafter, in Deed and Name, by the Name of *The Master, Wardens, and Brethren of St. John's Lodge of free and accepted Masons, No. 1, in the Town of Newport*, and by that Name shall and may have perpetual Succession; and be Persons able and capable in Law, to have, hold, receive and enjoy, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, and Rents, in fee Simple, or for Term of Life, Lives, Years, or otherwise; and also Goods and Chattels, and all other Things, of what Nature, Kind or Quality soever; and also to give, grant, sell, or assign the same Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels, and to do and execute all other Things about the same; and also that they and their Successors, by the Name aforesaid, be forever hereafter capable and liable to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended against, in all or any of the Courts of Law, or otherwise, by any of the Judges, Justices, or other Persons whomsoever, in all Manner of Actions, Complaints or Pleas, whatsoever; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for them and their Successors forever hereafter to have one common Seal for their Use, and the same at their Will and Pleasure to change and alter.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Petitioners, and their Successors,

fors, to choose the Master, Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary, and all other Officers they may think proper, and for such Length of Time as they have heretofore, or may hereafter determine; and to make such Laws and Regulations for the well-governing of said Master, Wardens and Brethren, as they shall deem necessary; provided they are not repugnant to the Laws of this State.

AND be it further Enacted, That *Moses Seixas* be the first Master, *John Breeze* and *Robert Nicholls Auchmuty* the first Wardens, *Christopher Fowler* the first Treasurer, and *Sanders Malbone* the first Secretary; to continue for such a Length of Time as has been heretofore the Custom of the said Society.



THE following Report was made to this Assembly, to wit :

G. Stillman
allowed £. 9
4s. 10½d.

WE the Subscribers being appointed a Committee to settle the Accounts of *George Stillman, Esq.* for repairing *Pawcatuck Bridge*, beg Leave to report, that we have carefully examined his Account, amounting to *Eighteen Pounds Four Shillings and Ten Pence Halfpenny*, with the Vouchers, and find a Balance due to him of *Nine Pounds Four Shillings and Ten Pence Halfpenny*, agreeably to the Account herewith presented.

WHICH is submitted by

THOMAS NOYES,
ROUSE BABCOCK.

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be accepted; and that the aforesaid Balance of *Nine Pounds Four Shillings and Ten Pence Halfpenny*, be paid to the said *George Stillman*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Longer Time
allowed to *J.*
Card, to dis-
charge the
Debt due
from him.

UPON the Petition of *Job Card*, of *North-Kingstown*, Yeoman, representing that he hath not been able, within the Time allowed him by the General Assembly, to dispose of his Estate, for discharging the Execution issued against him by the General-Treasurer, to any Advantage; that if a longer Time be granted him, he hath a Prospect of doing the same, and of reserving a small Pittance for himself and his Family, in his old Age; and that he is willing to allow the Interest thereon:

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the aforesaid Petition be granted; that the Term of one Year be allowed to the said *Job Card*, to discharge the said Execution; and that all the real Estate of which he is seized, be held for the Payment thereof.



WHEREAS

WHEREAS a Number of unfortunate Exiles from *Hispaniola*, French Ex-
 and from the other Territories of the Republic of *France*, have iles to be
 arrived in this State, many of whom having been plundered on provided for.
 their Passage of the little Property saved from the Ruin of their
 Fortunes, are Destitute of the Means of Subsistence, and may be-
 come chargeable to the Towns where they have arrived, or may ar-
 rive.

*BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Au-
 thority thereof it is Enacted, That such Exiles as have arrived in this
 State, or who shall arrive therein before the Meeting of this Assem-
 bly at the next Session, shall not gain any Settlement merely by
 being landed in the Towns where they shall happen to arrive, or a-
 ny other; but in Case of being chargeable, the Expence thereof shall
 be defrayed by the State at large: Provided nevertbeless, That such
 Exile or Exiles shall not have arrived in any other of the United
 States, previous to his or their Arrival in this State. Any Law,
 Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.*

*IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Dis-
 bursements for the Relief of such Exiles, shall be made under the
 Direction of the Town-Council of the Town or Towns wherein
 such distressed Exiles are or may be resident for the Time being :
 And that the Town-Council of the Town or Towns where such Ex-
 iles shall be relieved, render a particular Account of all Expendi-
 tures on Account of the said Exiles, to this Assembly, at the next
 Session.*

WHEREAS divers Towns in this State have not assessed the State Tax ordered in *June, A. D. 1793* :

Towns em-
 powered to
 assess the last
 Tax.

*BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Au-
 thority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the Assessors of Taxes for
 every such Town be and they are hereby empowered to assess such
 Town's Proportion of the said Tax upon the rateable Estates and In-
 habitants thereof : That thereupon the General-Treasurer shall is-
 sue his Warrants to the Collectors of Taxes for such Towns res-
 pectively, empowering them to collect the said Tax : And that
 such Assessments and Warrants shall be as valid and effectual as if
 made and issued agreeably to the Act ordering the said Tax.*

THE following Representation was made to this Assembly, *to wit* :

Report of the
 Gen. Treasu-
 rer, who is
 directed
 to prosecute
 Defaulters.

THE General-Treasurer respectfully offers the following State-
 ment to the Honorable Legislature :

DUE to the State from the Town of *North-Providence*, on Account
 of the State Tax ordered in *November*, in the Year 1780, with Interest to
October

October 1. A. D. 1793, £.1157 4s. 5d. old Continental Money, which, at 75 for 1, is £.15 8s. 6d. Specie.

DUE to the State, from the Town of *North-Kingstown*, on Account of the Tax ordered in *June*, A. D. 1791, with Interest to *October* 30, A. D. 1793, £ 116 7s. 3d. 1qr. Specie.

Paper Money.

DUE from *John Sayles*, Esq. Collector of the Interest on the Paper Money Bonds, for the County of *Providence*, £ 1836 18 5 $\frac{1}{4}$

DUE from *James Sheldon*, Esq. late Collector of the Interest on the Paper Money Bonds, for the County of *Washington*, 83 8 11 $\frac{1}{2}$

DUE from *Jonathan Gorton*, Esq. Collector of the Interest on the Paper Money Bonds, for the County of *Kent*, 280 2 9

DUE from *Elisha Potter*, Esq. Collector of the Interest on the Paper Money Bonds, for the County of *Washington*, 697 12 9

DUE from *William Barton*, Esq. Collector of the Interest on the Paper Money Bonds, for the County of *Bristol*, 40 11 7 $\frac{1}{4}$

THE following Towns have made no Returns of the Assessment of the Tax ordered in *June*, A. D. 1793, to wit: *Jamestown*, *Coventry*, *Hopkinton*, and *Barrington*.

HENRY SHERBURNE, Gen. Treasurer.

Newport, October 31, 1793.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that the General-Treasurer immediately prosecute the several Persons abovenamed, for the Sums by them respectively owing to the State, according to the above Statement.

Attorney-General to consent that a Declaration be filed on a Suit brought by *G. Paul* and Wife.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Attorney-General be and he is hereby directed to consent that a Declaration be filed in the Circuit Court, to be holden at *Providence* on the Seventh Day of *November*, A. D. 1793, in the Action brought by *George Paul*, and his Wife, against *Robert Stevens*, and others, in which Suit this State is interested; on Condition that the Plaintiffs permit the Attorney-General

General to file an Answer thereto at the Sitting of the said Court ; and consent that the said Cause be continued to the next Term of the said Court.

A N D it is further Voted and Resolved, That the Attorney-General report the Facts relative to the said Suit, to this Assembly, at the next Session.

I T is Voted and Resolved, That the Persons undernamed be and they are hereby appointed to collect the Money due for Interest, upon the Bonds given for the Paper Money, emitted in May, A.D. 1786, in their respective Counties, *to wit* :

Collectors of the Interest on Paper Money Bonds appointed.

James Fenner, Esq. for the County of *Providence*.

Elisba R. Gardner, Esq. for the County of *Washington*.

William Barton, Esq. for the County of *Bristol*.

Jonathan Gorton, Esq. for the County of *Kent*.

I T is further Voted and Resolved, That in Case the same be not immediately paid, they forthwith put the said Bonds in Suit : And that the said Collectors pay the Money they shall receive into the General-Treasury.

I T is Voted and Resolved, That the undernamed Persons be and they are hereby appointed Justices of the Peace, in Addition to those already elected, in their several Towns, *to wit* :

Officers appointed.

Levi Totten, Esq. for the Town of *South-Kingstown*.

Joel Aldrich, and *Elisba Bartlet*, Esqrs. for the Town of *Smithfield*.

Joseph Williams, Esq. for the Town of *Johnston*.

I T is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Henry Barber*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account to this Time, for Printing done for the State.

H. Barber allowed £. 3 18s.

I T is Voted and Resolved, That *Four Pounds Five Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to *Samuel Sampson*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for attending as Deputy-Secretary, upon this Assembly, and for Paper and Quills.

S. Sampson allowed £. 4 5s. 6d.

AGREEABLY to a Report of the Committee appointed by the Lower House,

J. Niles allowed £. 8 3s. 4d.

I T is Voted and Resolved, That *Eight Pounds Three Shillings and Four Pence* be allowed and paid to *Jonathan Niles*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the

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Bills

Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full Discharge of his Account, to the present Time, for boarding a poor Prisoner, committed at the Suit of the State, for repairing the Gaol, for Attendance upon the Courts, and for transmittting to the proper Persons in that County, the Governor's Proclamation, Schedules and Commissions.

Act respect-
ing Petitions.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Act of this Assembly passed at the Session held in *June, A. D. 1791*, repealing that Part of the Act entitled "An Act directing the Method of preferring Petitions unto the General Assembly, and of acting thereon," which authorized the lodging of Petitions in the Secretary's Office, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Act respect-
ing Petitions
entered upon
the Docket,
&c.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Petitions to which there are adverse Parties, which shall be preferred to the General Assembly may be filed in the Secretary's Office, under the Regulations and Restrictions of the Act, entitled, "An Act directing the Method of preferring Petitions unto the General Assembly, and of acting thereon:" And that any Petition for the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, may be lodged with the Secretary; who shall thereupon at the Request and Expence of the Petitioner or Petitioners, cause the Creditors of such Petitioner or Petitioners, to be notified by an Advertisement, to be inserted Three Weeks successively in the *Newport Mercury*, and in one of the *Providence News-Papers*, to appear at the next following Session, if they shall think fit, to shew Cause why the Prayer of such Petition should not be granted.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That the Petitioners for the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, and the Petitioners praying that Proceedings might be stayed, who were liberated from Gaol on their giving Bonds, pursuant to a Resolve of this Assembly, passed at the last Session, be further exempted from Confinement until the Rising of this Assembly, at the next Session, upon their giving Bond as before required: And that all Persons who have lodged Petitions, upon the Reception-Docket at the present Session, for the Benefit of an Act of Insolvency, and are now committed or are liable to be committed to Gaol, be liberated until the Rising of this Assembly, at the next Session; they giving Bonds in the Manner prescribed by the aforesaid Resolution, passed at the last Session.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That all Proceedings, for the staying whereof, Petitions have been entered upon the Reception-Docket, at the present Session, be stayed until the Rising of this Assembly, at the next Session: And that such Petitioners as are imprisoned shall be liberated from Gaol until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session, upon their giving Bonds to the Satisfaction of the Sheriff of the County where they stand committed, that they will return to Prison, if their Petitions shall not be granted.

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AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That this Resolution shall continue in Force until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, agreeably to the Report of the Committee appointed by the Lower-House, That *Three Pounds* be allowed and paid to *Daniel Bradford*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full Discharge of his Account for the Use made of his House as a common Gaol. *D. Bradford* allowed £. 3

IT is Voted and Resolved, agreeably to the Report of a Committee appointed by the Lower-House, That *Two Pounds Two Shillings* be allowed and paid out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, to Messrs. *Beriah Waite* and *Beriah Brown*, jun. Executors of the last Will of *Beriah Brown*, Esq. deceased, late Sheriff of the County of *Washington*, in full for his Attendance upon the Courts in that County. The Representatives of *B. Brown* allowed £. 2 2s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Three Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Samuel Eddy*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower-House, and for Paper and Quills. *S. Eddy* allowed £. 3 3s.

UPON the Petition of *Terence Riley*, of *Providence*, Schoolmaster, representing that in *December*, A. D. 1783, he tendered to *Joseph Arnold*, of *Providence*, Housewright, the Sum of *Three Hundred and Fifty-seven Pounds Six Shillings*, and also the Sum of *Sixty-two Pounds*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Mortgage in Favour of the said *Joseph Arnold*; which being refused by him was deposited in the General-Treasury, agreeably to Law; and praying that the same may be restored to him: Grant of forfeited Money to *T. Riley*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer pay to the said *Terence Riley* the Money that was actually lodged by him, on the abovementioned Account.

UPON the Petition of *David Herendeen*, of *Exeter*, Yeoman, representing that in the Year 1786 he tendered to *Margaret Cooke*, of *Newport*, Widow, the Sum of *One Hundred and Ten Pounds*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, for a Debt due to her, which she refused: And that the said *Margaret Cooke* hath since obtained a Judgment of Court against him for the whole of the said Debt and Costs; and praying that the same be restored to him: Grant of forfeited Money to *D. Herendeen*.

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IT is Voted and Resolved, that the said *David Herendeen* be empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury, the Money actually lodged therein by him, on the abovementioned Account.

Liberties of
the Gaol-
Yard in S.
Kingstown
extended.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Liberties of the Gaol-Yard in the County of *Washington* be extended so far Eastward as to allow the Prisoners who have the Liberty thereof to pass into the State-House in the aforesaid County, and to repass, in the same Manner as the other Citizens of this State: And that the Sheriff of the said County describe the Lines for a Passage to the said State-House, and designate the Bounds one Rod South of the said State-House, beginning from the Eastern Boundary of the said Gaol-Yard, as it is now limited, and one Rod East of the said State-House, to the North End of the Steps thereof.

C. Gardner
allowed £. 1
16s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Sixteen Shillings be allowed and paid to *Caleb Gardner*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Two Cords of Walnut Wood, for the State-House in the County of *Washington*.

J. Congdon
allowed £. 1
16s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Sixteen Shillings be allowed and paid to *James Congdon*, Esq. Town-Serjeant of *North-Kingstown*, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being for his Services in warning the Members of the General Assembly in the County of *Washington*, by Virtue of a Warrant from his Excellency the Governor, to meet at *Newport*, in *August*, A. D. 1792.

D. Tefft al-
lowed 12s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Twelve Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Daniel Tefft*, 3d. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Sand provided for the State-House in the County of *Washington*.

J. Tefft al-
lowed £. 1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *James Tefft*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter.

D. Douglas
allowed £. 1
9s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Nine Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *David Douglas*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter, and for providing Candles for the Two Houses.

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IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Eighteen Shillings be ^{£. 7s. 6d.} allowed and paid to Mr. *Ebenezer Tafft*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter, and for cleaning the State-House, &c. ^{allowed £. 18s.}

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Proceedings in Courts of Law, Proceedings and on Judgments obtained therein, for the staying whereof Petitions ^{on Petitions} are now pending before this Assembly, be stayed until the Rising of ^{stayed.} this Assembly at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this ^{Adjourn-} Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next ^{ment.} Session: That the Secretary publish and transmit to the several Towns, in the usual Manner, Copies of the Acts and Orders now made and passed: And that this Assembly be and the same is hereby adjourned to the last Monday in February next, then to convene in the State-House in Providence.

G O D save the United States of *A M E R I C A*.

A TRUE COPY DULY EXAMINED:

W I T N E S S,

Henry Ward

At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island* and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden by Adjournment at *Providence*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the last *Monday* in *February*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-four, and in the Eighteenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The HONOURABLE

Samuel J. Potter, Esq; Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq;
PELEG ARNOLD, Esq;
JONATHAN COMSTOCK, Esq;
JOHN COOKE, Esq;
THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq;
GEORGE BROWN, Esq;
JOB WATSON, Esq;
JOHN HARRIS, Esq;

Assistants.

The S E C R E T A R Y.

D E P U T I E S

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

The Honourable WELCOME ARNOLD, Esq; Speaker.

NEWPORT:

George Champlin, *Esq;*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq;*
 Mr. Nicholas Taylor,
 Mr. John L. Bofs,
 Mr. Christopher Fowler,
 Simeon Martin, *Esq;*

PROVIDENCE:

Mr. Speaker,
 Charles Lippitt, *Esq;*
 John Smith, *Esq;*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH:

Abraham Anthony, *Esq;*
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Mr. Robert Lawton,
 Mr. Thomas Potter.

WARWICK:

Mr. Benjamin Greene,
 Moses Arnold, *Esq;*
 Anthony Holden, *Esq;*
 Mr. Joseph Brown.

WESTERLY:

Thomas Noyes, *Esq;*
 Rowse Babcock, *Esq;*

NEW-SHOREHAM:

None.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN:

Daniel Updike, *Esq;*
 George Thomas, *Esq;*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN:

Elisha R. Potter, *Esq;*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq;*

EAST-GREENWICH:

Mr. William Greene (*Son of*
 Benjamin)
 Mr. George Tillinghaft.

JAMESTOWN:

Mr. John Weeden, *sen.*

SMITHFIELD:

Mr. Arnold Paine,
 Mr. Henry Jenckes.

SCITUATE:

James Aldrich, *Esq;*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq;*

GLOUCESTER:

Samuel Winfor, *Esq;*
 Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN:

Mr. Robert Congdon,
 Mr. Edward Wilcox.

WEST-GREENWICH:

Mr. Amos Jacqways.

COVENTRY:

Job Greene, *Esq;*
 Joseph Mathewson, *Esq;*

EXETER:

Christopher Pierce, *Esq;*
 Mr. Job Wilcox.

MIDDLETOWN:

Mr. Easton Bailey,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL:

Mr. Samuel Wardwell,
 Loring Peck, *Esq;*

TIVERTON:

Abraham Barker, *Esq;*

LITTLE-COMPTON:

Mr. George Simmons,
 Mr. Isaac Baley.

WARREN:

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq;*

CUMBERLAND:

Mr. Jason Newell,
 Jotham Carpenter, *Esq;*

RICHMOND:

Mr. Samuel Larkin.

CRANSTON:

William Warner, *Esq;*
 Caleb Williams, *Esq;*

HOPKINTON:

George Thurston, *Esq;*
 Moses Barber, *Esq;*

JOHNSTON:

Noah Mathewson, *Esq;*
 Mr. William Waterman.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE:

Mr. Edward Smith,
 Mr. Jeremiah Sayles.

BARRINGTON:

Joshua Bicknall, *Esq;*
 Josiah Humphry, *Esq;*

FOSTER:

William Tyler, *Esq;*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq;*

SAMUEL EDDY, *Esq;* Clerk of the Lower House.

I*T is Voted and Resolved*, That *Three Pounds* be allowed and paid to *John S. Dexter, Esq;* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for Services, as one of the Committee to settle the Accounts of the Merchants in *Providence*, for Bounties and Drawbacks upon Goods exported. *J. Dexter allowed £ 3.*

The following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit* :

To the Honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY, to be holden at Providence, on the last Monday in February, A. D. 1794.

THE Committee appointed, at the Session in *October* last, to burn the Paper Money in the Office of the Grand Committee, offer the following Report, *to wit* : That we have received of *Thomas Rumrell, Esq;* the Keeper of that Office, *Six Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty-four Pounds Nine Shillings and Threepence*, in the Paper Bills emitted by this State in *May*, A. D. 1786, and have burnt the same. *Report of the Committee who burnt Paper Money.*

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
JOHN L. BOSS,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, } Committee.

Newport, 14th February, 1794.

WHICH being duly considered,

I T is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

The following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit* :

To the Honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY, to be holden at Providence, on the last Monday in February, A. D. 1794.

THE Committee, appointed at the Session in *October* last, to burn the Paper Money Bills, Notes and Certificates, in the General-Treasury, offer the following Report: That there hath been delivered to us by *Henry Sherburne, Esq;* the present General-Treasurer, the under mentioned Species of Paper, *to wit* : Four Thousand Nine Hundred Certificates, issued in old Continental Money, for Militia Service in the Alarm of *July*, A. D. 1780, amounting to *Four Hundred and Nineteen Thousand Five Hundred and Ninety-one Pounds Three Shillings and Tenpence* : Four Hundred and Fifty-seven Certificates, issued in Favour of *Col. Jeremiah Olney*, for Arrears of Pay due to his Regiment, amounting to *Four Hundred and Forty-one Pounds and Sixpence* : Four Thousand Seven Hundred and Fifty-four Certificates, issued by *Thomas Rumrell*, and *John Handy, Esquires*, for Militia Service, amounting to *Sixteen Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty-eight Pounds Twelve* *Report of the Committee who burnt Notes, &c. in the General-Treasury.*

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Twelve Shillings and Twopence: Fourteen Hundred and One Sheep Certificates, amounting to *One Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty-three Pounds Seven Shillings and Sixpence*, Lawful Money: One Hundred and Twenty-nine Flax Certificates, amounting to *One Hundred and Twelve Pounds Three Shillings and Fourpence Three Farthings*, Lawful Money: *Two Hundred and Fifty-four Pounds Eleven Shillings and Fivepence*, Lawful Money, of the Emissions of the Years 1758, 1760, 1762, 1766, and 1767, brought into the General-Treasury, by Mrs. Mary Thurston, to whom Payment was ordered by the General Assembly: *Three Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty-seven Pounds Thirteen Shillings*, Paper Money, of the Emission of May, A. D. 1786, which was returned by the Trustees of divers Towns unloaned: Two Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-six Impost Orders, amounting to *Nineteen Thousand Four Hundred and Forty-six Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Fourpence*, Lawful Money: One Hundred and Eleven Teaming Certificates, received in Taxes, and exchanged for Notes issued to divide them into smaller Parts, amounting to *Fourteen Hundred and Ninety-six Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Threepence*, Lawful Money: One Thousand Three Hundred and Seventeen Notes, issued in February and March, A. D. 1777, carrying an Interest of *Four per Cent.* per Annum, which have been called in by issuing *Six per Cent.* Notes therefor, amounting to *Twenty-three Thousand Eight Hundred and Fifty-one Dollars*: Six Hundred and Ninety-four Notes, bearing an Interest of *Six per Cent.* issued for calling in and sinking the outstanding Bills of Credit, agreeably to an Act of the General-Assembly passed at May Session, A. D. 1778, amounting to *Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred and Twenty-two Pounds*, Lawful Money: Three Hundred and Eighty-six Notes, commonly called Card Notes, received in and sunk by issuing *Six per Cent.* Notes therefor, amounting to *Thirty-six Thousand and Sixty-six Dollars*: And the Sum of *Four Hundred and Sixty Pounds Four Shillings and Sixpence*, in Lawful Money Bills, emitted in the Years 1775 and 1776, called in and sunk by issuing *Six per Cent.* Notes therefor: Which afore enumerated Paper Money Bills, Notes and Certificates, we have, agreeably to our Appointment, carefully taken an Account of, and destroyed, by burning the same.

Submitted by,

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,

JOHN L. BOSS,

ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY,

} Committee.

Newport, January 28, 1794.

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforefaid Report be and the same is hereby accepted.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit*:

To

February, 1794.

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To the Honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY, to be holden at Providence, on the last Monday in February, A. D. 1794.

We the Subscribers, being appointed by the Honourable the General Assembly, at the Session in *February*, A. D. 1793, to settle and adjust the Demands between this State and Col. *George Irish*, offer the following Report: That we have attentively examined the Accounts and Vouchers exhibited by the said *Irish*: That the perplexed Nature of the Business, and the Vouchers being only circumstantial, rendered it exceedingly difficult to decide thereon: But that it appears to your Committee, that about the First of *December*, A. D. 1776, Mr. *Irish* was possessed of a large Stock of Cattle and Sheep, some of which it appears was purchased for the Use of our Troops: That Two Days before the *British* took Possession of *Rhode-Island*, Mr. *Irish* sent off the Island Thirty-nine Head of fat Cattle, which were driven to *Boston*, and which this State afterwards took for the Use of our Troops, and paid Mr. *Irish* for the same, at the *Boston* Price; so that the Charges for driving them to *Boston*, &c. made in his Account, cannot be admitted: That it further appears, that the Day before the *British* Fleet came to *Rhode-Island*, our Troops, under the Command of Col. *Cooke*, drove from Mr. *Irish*'s nearly all the Remainder of his Stock, but that between Thirty and Forty Head (as appears from Circumstances) returned to him the next Day: That it appears from the Certificates of the Butchers, and of Col. *Mowry*, that Twenty Head of Cattle, and Seventy-six Sheep, were killed at *Howland's* Ferry, some of which were for the Use of the Troops, and the Remainder sold by Col. *Mowry*, which were claimed by Col. *Irish* as his Property: And that it also appears, that many Cattle and Sheep which were driven from *Rhode-Island* were killed by the Soldiers before any Returns were made to the Quarter-Master, and probably many of Mr. *Irish*'s in that Number.

Your Committee, after considering all the Circumstances relative to this Business, are of Opinion, that the Value of the Cattle and Sheep which were driven from Mr. *Irish*'s, which did not return, and for which he hath not received Compensation, amounts to *Three Hundred and Sixteen Pounds Twelve Shillings*, which, with the Interest thereon, ought to discharge so much of the Note the State holds against Mr. *Irish*, agreeably to the Account below stated.

All which is submitted, by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	} Committee.
FRANCIS MALBONE,	
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,	

Newport, November 22, 1793.

Col. *George Irish* in Account with the State of *Rhode-Island*, &c. Dr.
To his Note in the General-Treasury, dated *December*

24, 1781,

£ 450 0 0

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February, 1794.

To the Balance due to the State,	£ 38 8 0
To Interest on the same to February, 1794,	28 0 5
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	£ 66 8 5
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Creditor.

By the Value of the Cattle and Sheep killed for the Troops, &c.	£ 316 12 0
By Interest on Ditto to December 24, 1781,	95 0 0
Balance due to the State,	38 8 0
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	£ 450 0 0
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Mr. *Irish* offered to your Committee a Note of Hand, to be adjusted in his Settlement with the State, signed by *Stephen Mumford*, Purchasing Commissary. The Note is not dated, but by the Indorsements it must have been given before *April*, 1781. There is yet a Balance due on the said Note, which we have not considered in the Adjustment with Col. *Irish*; but submit it to the Consideration of the Honourable the General Assembly.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER.

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforefaid Report be and the same is hereby accepted: That upon the said *George Irish's* paying into the General-Treasury the said Balance of *Sixty-six Pounds Eight Shillings and Fivepence*, with Interest from this Time, the General-Treasurer deliver to him the above mentioned Note: And that the Papers accompanying the said Report be lodged in the General-Treasurer's Office.

G. Champlin *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *Two Pounds Eleven Shillings* be allowed and paid to *George Champlin*, Esq; out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for examining the Treasurer's Office, and burning Notes, &c. therein, and burning Bills of Credit in the Grand Committee's Office.

W. Page allowed *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *One Pound Ten Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *William Page*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for his Service as a Guard, by Order of his Excellency the Governor, to prevent the Introduction of the malignant Disease prevailing in *Philadelphia*.

Grant to *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Messieurs *Samuel Wardwell*, *Isiah Cole*, and *Joshua Bicknell*, be and they are hereby appointed a Com-
Bristol State-
House, £ 30.

a Committee to repair the State-House in the County of *Bristol*: That they be empowered to draw the Sum of *Thirty Pounds* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, for the said Purpose; and that they account to this Assembly for the Expenditure of the Money.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Rowland Brown, George Thurston, Elisha R. Potter, and Daniel Updike*, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine the Condition of the State-House in the County of *Washington*; and that they make Report to this Assembly, at the next Session. Committee to examine *Washington* State-House.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *John Smith*, Esq; be and he is hereby appointed to make the necessary Repairs upon the State-House in the County of *Providence*; and that he lay his Account for the Expences thereof before this Assembly. *Providence* State-House to be repaired.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs *George Champlin, George Gibbs, and Robert N. Auchmuty*, the Committee appointed to repair the State-House in *Newport*, be empowered to draw; for that Purpose, the Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that they account to this Assembly for the Expenditure of the Money. Grant for *Newport* State-House.

WHEREAS an Account, charged against the State by the Town-Treasurer of *Newport*, for the Support of distressed *French Exiles*, amounting to *Two Hundred and Forty-five Pounds Nine Shillings and Ninepence*, which, having been examined and approved by the Town-Council of the said Town, was presented to this Assembly, and by the Lower House referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit*: Grant to *Newport* on Account of the *French* Exiles, £ 245 9s. 9d.

THE Subscribers, agreeably to their Appointment, have carefully examined the foregoing Account, and compared the Charges with the Vouchers, and find them to be right.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
CHARLES WHEATON,
NOAH MATHEWSON,
NICHOLAS EASTON, } Committee.

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that the Amount of the said Account, being *Two Hundred and Forty-five Pounds Nine Shillings and Ninepence*, be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the Town of *Newport* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

WHEREAS

Grant to
Providence
for the Sup-
port of French
Exiles, £ 170
19^l. 9^d.

WHEREAS the Town-Council of the Town of *Providence* exhibited unto this Assembly an Account, by them charged against the State, for the Support of distressed *French* Exiles, amounting to *One Hundred and Seventy Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Ninepence*, which was by the Lower House referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit*:

THE Subscribers, agreeably to their Appointment, have carefully examined the foregoing Account, and compared the Charges with the Vouchers, and find them to be right.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,	} Committee.
CHARLES WHEATON,	
NOAH MATHEWSON,	
NICHOLAS EASTON,	

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that the Amount of the said Account, being *One Hundred and Seventy Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Ninepence*, be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the Town of *Providence* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Act respect-
ing French
Exiles.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Act passed by this Assembly, at the last Session, for the Relief of the *French* Exiles from *St. Domingo*, and other *French* Islands in the *West-Indies*, be and the same is hereby continued in Force until the First Day of the Session of this Assembly in *May* next.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That the Town-Councils of the respective Towns where any of the said Exiles are resident, give public Notice of the Number they have to provide for: That they are ready to receive Proposals for boarding them in a decent and suitable Manner; and that such as will take them at the cheapest Rate, shall have the Preference.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That the Presidents of the several Town-Councils where any of the said Exiles are resident, make a List of those within their respective Towns, distinguishing the Adults from those under Age, and the Indigent from those who are able to support themselves, and transmit the same to *Charles Lippitt, Esq*;

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the said *Charles Lippitt* be and he is hereby appointed to transmit to the Representatives of this State in Congress the Accounts of the several Towns, for the Relief of the said Exiles, allowed by this Assembly; and also the Lists he shall be furnished with by the Presidents of the Town-Councils.

AN ACT to incorporate certain Persons, by the Name of the Society for establishing and supporting a Turnpike Road, on the great Road from *Providence* to *Killingly*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS it is represented to this Assembly, that *Daniel Larned*, *Eleazar Moffitt*, *Lemuel Corben*, *Jesse Foster*, *Simon Smith*, and *Asa Kimbal*, with others their Associates, have subscribed *Five Thousand Dollars* for the following Purposes, to wit: *Eight Hundred and Fifty Pounds*, for making a Turnpike Road from *Cepatchit Bridge*, in *Glocester*, to *Connecticut Line*, on the great Road leading from *Providence* to *Killingly*; *One Hundred and Seventy Pounds*, for repairing the said Road from *Connecticut Line* to *Cargill's Bridge*; *One Hundred Pounds*, for repairing the Roads from said Bridge to *Pomfret* and *Woodstock*; *One Hundred and Thirty Pounds*, for repairing the Roads leading from said *Killingly Road* to *Thompson Meeting-Houses*; *One Hundred Pounds*, for repairing the said Roads beyond the said Meeting-Houses into *Dudley* and *Sturbridge*; and *One Hundred and Fifty Pounds*, for repairing the said Road between *Cepatchit Bridge* and *Providence*; in Manner following, to wit: *Twenty Pounds*, between the *Widow Mason's* and the Bridge East of *Elisha Winsor's*; *Sixty-five Pounds*, between the said Bridge and the Bridge East of *Darius Smith's*; *Fifteen Pounds*, between the said Bridge and *Smithfield Line*; *Twenty-five Pounds*, on *Foster's Hill*, in *Smithfield*; and the remaining *Twenty-five Pounds* in *Johnston*, near *Belknap's Tavern*: And whereas the Persons aforesaid, in Behalf of themselves and their Associates, have petitioned this Assembly to pass an Act for incorporating them for the Purposes aforesaid, and for other Purposes herein after mentioned:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said *Daniel Larned*, *Eleazar Moffitt*, *Lemuel Corben*, *Jesse Foster*, *Simon Smith*, *Asa Kimbal*, and others their Associates, their Successors and Assigns, shall be and are hereby created a Corporation and Body politic, by the Name of *The Society for establishing and supporting a Turnpike Road from Cepatchit Bridge, in Glocester, to Connecticut Line*; and by that Name shall be and hereby are made able and capable in Law, as a Body corporate, to have, purchase, possess and enjoy, to themselves, their Successors and Assigns, Lands (not exceeding Fifty Acres) Rents, Tenements, Tolls and Effects, of what Kind or Nature soever; and the same to grant, sell or dispose of, by Deed or Deeds, at their own Will and Pleasure; to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and be answered unto, to defend and be defended against, in all Courts of Record, and before all proper Judges whatsoever, in all Causes, of whatsoever Name or Nature; and to ordain, establish and put

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in Execution, such By-Laws, Ordinances and Regulations, as shall seem necessary and convenient for the Government of the said Corporation, not being contrary to Law; to have a common Seal; and generally to do and execute all and singular Matters and Things which to them may appertain, in Relation to repairing the said Roads, in Manner aforesaid, and in Relation to making, establishing, securing, maintaining and keeping up the aforesaid Turnpike Road, and to the receiving and collecting the Tolls herein after mentioned.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be a Meeting of the said Corporation on the last Monday in April annually, at Cepatchit, for the Election of a President, Treasurer and Secretary, and for transacting any other Business that may legally come before them: That all Matters shall be decided by a Majority of the Votes of the Members present: That the aforesaid Stock being divided into Fifty Shares of One Hundred Dollars each, the Stockholders present shall have as many Votes as they may hold Shares respectively; and that the Secretary be authorized to call special Meetings at said Cepatchit, when thereto requested in Writing, by Stockholders holding Stock to the Amount of Ten Shares, by previously advertising the same Three Weeks at the Place of the Turnpike; which Meetings shall have Power to transact Business, provided Stockholders to the Amount of Ten Shares shall assemble.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Proprietors or Stockholders, or their Agents, shall, immediately after the said Sum of Fifteen Hundred Pounds shall be expended in Manner aforesaid, be authorized to receive, at any Place on the said Turnpike Road within Four Miles of Connecticut Line, Toll for passing on the said Turnpike Road, at and after the following Rates, to wit:

A Waggon, Cart, or Ox-Sled Team, not exceeding			
Four Cattle,	-	-	12½ Cents.
A Team of more than Four Cattle,	-	-	15
A Sleigh with more than One Horse,	-	-	12½
A One-Horse Sleigh,	-	-	6
A Coach, Chariot or Phaeton,	-	-	40
A Chaise, Chair or Sulkey,	-	-	20
A Horse and Horse-Cart,	-	-	6
A Person and Horse,	-	-	6
Horses or Mules in Drovers, per Head,	-	-	2
Neat Cattle in Drovers, per Head,	-	-	1
Swine in Drovers, for every Fifteen,	-	-	10
For any less Number than Fifteen, each	-	-	1
Sheep and Store Shotes, each			½

AND that Foot Passengers be not liable to any Toll, nor night Inhabitants passing on said Turnpike Road, for the Purposes of attending

tending public Worship, Funerals, Town-Meetings, or other Town Business, or going to and from Mills, or for the Purposes of Husbandry.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Corporation shall at all Times keep the said Turnpike Road in good Repair, at the proper Expence of the said Corporation, and their Successors and Assigns, for so long Time as they shall collect and receive the aforesaid Toll.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, to ascertain the Produce of the said Toll, a fair Account shall be kept by the Proprietors aforesaid, and be open to the Inspection of any Committee or Committees who may be appointed by this General Assembly to inspect the same; and that a regular Account of the Expenditures be also rendered to such Committee or Committees.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That whenever and as soon as the aforesaid Toll shall reimburse to the Proprietors aforesaid, their Successors and Assigns, the said Sum of Fifteen Hundred Pounds, together with Twelve per Cent. per Annum Interest thereon, and all Expences for repairing the said Turnpike Road from Time to Time, and other necessary and incidental Expences of the said Corporation, the said Road shall revert to the Public, and forever thereafter remain discharged of the Toll aforesaid.



UPON the Petition of *Samuel Aldrich* (the Fourth) of *Smithfield*, representing to this Assembly, that he some Time since tendered the Bills of Credit emitted by this State to *William Aldrich*, of *Smithfield*, to discharge a Note of Hand, which was refused by him, and lodged in the General-Treasury, agreeably to Law; and that he hath since settled all Demands between them, and hath a full Discharge from the said *William Aldrich*; and praying that the Money so lodged may be restored to him: Grant to S. Aldrich of forfeited Money.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Samuel Aldrich be empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein upon the above mentioned Account.

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An A C T authorizing the building a Bridge across the East River, between *Rhode-Island* and *Tiverton*, and for incorporating the Proprietors thereof.

Act for building a Bridge over *Howland's Ferry*.

WHEREAS Application hath been made to this General Assembly for Permission to build a Bridge over the East River, between *Rhode-Island* and *Tiverton*, at a Place commonly called *Howland's Ferry*; and it appearing that a Bridge in the said Place will be of great public Utility:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That Messieurs Christopher Champlin, George Gibbs, Caleb Gardner, Peleg Clarke, James Robinson, Samuel Vernon, jun. John Cooke, Abraham Barker, and Joseph Barker, together with their Associates, and those who shall hereafter associate with them, and their Heirs and Assigns, be and hereby are constituted a Corporation and Body politic, by the Name of The Rhode-Island Bridge Company, for the Purpose of erecting a Bridge over the East River, between Rhode-Island and Tiverton, commonly called Howland's Ferry. To promote the said Undertaking, and for the Encouragement of the said Company in the building, completing and keeping in Repair said Bridge, they, their Heirs and Assigns, are hereby authorized to impose a Toll, which is hereby granted and established for the sole Benefit of the said Company, their Heirs and Assigns, so long as they shall keep said Bridge in good Repair. The said Toll to be according to the Rates that shall be established by the said Company, their Heirs and Assigns; provided the same shall not exceed the Rate of Ferriages as by Law is now established for the Ferry called Howland's Ferry. A true Copy of the Rates of Toll established by the said Company shall be lodged in the Secretary's Office. At the Place or Places where Toll shall be demanded and received, there shall be exposed to open View a Sign or Board, specifying in legible Letters the Rates of Toll, and all the tollable Articles. And the said Toll shall commence on the first Day of opening the said Bridge for Passengers.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be a good and sufficient Draw in the said Bridge, for the passing and re-passing of Vessels, at some convenient Place in the said Bridge, through which Vessels shall pass free of Toll. When a Bridge shall be erected as aforesaid, the said Company, their Heirs and Assigns, shall be the sole Proprietors thereof and possess, enjoy and retain, all the Privileges, Emoluments and Rights thereto appertaining. And the said Corporation shall be capable in Law to sue and prosecute, and to be sued and prosecuted, to final Judgment and Execution; and to do and suffer all

all other Things and Acts which Bodies politic may or ought to do and suffer.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Christopher Champlin, George Gibbs, Caleb Gardner, Peleg Clarke, James Robinson, Samuel Vernon, jun. John Cooke, Abraham Barker, and Joseph Barker, or any Three of them, may by Advertisement call a Meeting of the said Company, to be holden at Newport, at any Time after Six Days from such Notification. And a Majority of the said Company present, or represented at such Meeting (accounting and allowing a Vote for each Share in all Cases) shall choose a Clerk, who shall keep a fair and true Record of all the Proceedings of the said Company. And the said Company may also agree on the Method of calling future Meetings: And are also empowered to appoint such Officers as they shall deem necessary; and to enter into any Agreement they shall think proper for effecting and completing the Purposes aforesaid: And to establish any Rules and Regulations they shall deem necessary, for collecting the Toll herein granted. Provided such Rules and Regulations be not repugnant to the Laws of the State.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall pass the said Bridge without paying the Toll established as aforesaid, provided the Person authorized to receive the same shall be at the Place or Places fixed upon for receiving the same, and a Demand thereof shall be made, such Person or Persons so offending shall pay as a Fine Forty Shillings, to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace within the State.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons shall wilfully, or through Want of Care, deface, impair, or in any Way injure the said Bridge, or its Appurtenances, the Person or Persons so offending, on Prosecution and Conviction, before any Court of Record in the County of Newport, shall pay all Damages, and such Fine or Fines, to and for the Use of the State, as shall be adjudged by such Court.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if the said Corporation shall refuse or neglect, for the Space of Three Years after the passing this Act, to build and complete the said Bridge, then this Act shall be void, and of no Effect.



J. Bowen's
Account.

The following Account was presented to this Assembly, to wit:

The State of <i>Rhode-Island, &c.</i> to <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , Dr.		
1794. } To Cash paid for advertizing for Sale		
<i>Feb. 26.</i> } a large Anchor taken up at <i>Newport</i> ,		
	in the Year 1779, and claimed by the	
	State,	£ 0 4 6
	To Cash paid Capt. <i>Benjamin Hoppin</i> ,	
	Vendue-Master, his Commissions for sel-	
	ling the same, at $2\frac{1}{2}$ per Cent.	1 1 9
	To my Commissions on £ 42 3 8, at $2\frac{1}{2}$	
	per Cent.	1 1 3
	Balance due to the State,	40 17 11
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		£ 43 5 5

Creditor.

By the Amount of the Anchor, which
was sold to Messieurs *Brown* and *Francis*,
67 Cwt. at 12 s. 11 d.

£ 43 5 5

Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Account be allowed; and
that the said *Jabez Bowen* pay the said Balance of *Forty Pounds Seven-*
teen Shillings and Elevenpence into the General-Treasury.

R. N. Auch-
muty allowed
£ 2 11 s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Eleven Shillings* be al-
lowed and paid to *Robert N. Auchmuty*, Esq; out of the General-
Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State,
at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Ac-
count, for examining and burning Notes, Certificates, &c. in the
General-Treasury, and for burning Paper Money in the Grand Com-
mittee's Office.

Charter to
St. Paul's
Church.

WHEREAS a Number of Subscribers, calling themselves the War-
dens, Vestry and Congregation, of *St. Paul's Church*, in *North-*
Kingstown, preferred a Petition to the General Assembly held at
Providence, on the last *Monday in October*, A. D. 1792, stating, that
a Number of Subscribers, in Behalf of the Wardens, Vestry and
Congregation, of *St. Paul's Church* aforesaid, preferred a Petition
to this Assembly, at the Session in *October*, A. D. 1791, shewing the
Difficulties of raising Money for making the necessary Repairs in the
Church Edifice, and praying to be incorporated; and that this
Assembly did, at the aforesaid Session, in *October*, A. D. 1791, grant
a Charter of Incorporation to the aforesaid Persons, giving them
certain Powers and Privileges, and constituting them a Body politic,
by a Form and Name different from the Charters granted to Episcopal
Bodies in this or any other State in the United States; and thereupon
prayed this Assembly to annul the aforesaid Charter granted at the
aforesaid Session, in *October*, A. D. 1791; and to grant them a Char-
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ter by the Name of the Minister, Church-Wardens, Vestry and Congregation, of *St. Paul's Church*, in *North-Kingstown*, conformable to the Charters heretofore granted to the Episcopal Churches in this State: All which being duly considered,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the Prayer of the said Petition be granted; and that the said Charter granted at the Session in *October*, A. D. 1791 be annulled, and the same is hereby declared void.

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the aforesaid Petitioners, and others Members of the said Church, be, and they are hereby constituted and declared to be, a Body politic and corporate, by the Name of *The Minister, Church-Wardens, Vestry and Congregation, of St. Paul's Church, in North-Kingstown*: And that they and their Successors shall and may have perpetual Succession, with full Power and lawful Authority to make and ordain all such Laws, Rules and Ordinances, as they, or the major Part of them, who shall be present on due Notification, shall at any Time hereafter agree upon, for the better regulating the Affairs of the said Church, as fully to every Intent and Purpose as hath heretofore been granted to the other Episcopal Churches in this State. Provided that such Laws, Rules and Ordinances, be not repugnant to the Laws of this State.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to sign an Exemplification of this Charter, and cause the Seal of the said State to be thereunto affixed; whereupon the said Corporation shall be vested with all and every the Powers and Privileges therein granted.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit*:

WE the Committee, appointed to examine into the Demands of the College at *Providence* against the State, beg Leave to report, that there is a Note given by the late *Joseph Clarke*, Esq; as General-Treasurer, to Mr. *John Brown*, as Treasurer of the said College, for *One Thousand Six Hundred and Eighty Pounds*, on which the Interest hath been regularly paid to the 1st Day of *September*, A. D. 1793. Mr. *John Brown* also presented Two Orders, of the same Date with the Note, drawn by the said *Joseph Clarke*, on *Esek Hopkins*, Esq; as Collector of Impost for the County of *Providence*, amounting to *Ninety-seven Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Sixpence Three Farthings*, which appear to have been given for the Interest of the former Demand of the said College.

All which is submitted, by

JOHN L. BOSS,	} Committee.
THOMAS NOYES,	
ICHABOD COLE,	

Money to be
paid to the
College.

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ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted: That *Henry Sherburne*, Esq; as Trustee of the Loan-Office Certificates belonging to this State, be and he is hereby directed to pay to the Treasurer of the said College the Money in his Hands received for the Interest of the funded Debt belonging to this State, towards the Discharge of the Principal of the said Note; and that he transfer, at Par, to the Treasurer of the said College, *Six per Cent.* Stock belonging to the State, and taken in his Name, to the Amount of the Residue of the Money due on the said Note.



An ACT granting to *Duncan Kelly* Licence to erect a Bridge across *Palmer's River*, at a Place called *Kelly's Ferry*.

Act for building a Bridge over *Palmer's River*.

WHEREAS *Duncan Kelly*, of *Barrington*, hath presented a Petition unto this Assembly, setting forth, that he is willing, at his own proper Expence, to erect a Bridge over *Palmer's River*, at a Place called *Kelly's Ferry*, in the Rout from *Providence* to *Newport*, and praying Licence from this Assembly to carry the same into Execution, and to levy and collect a Toll therefrom, for the Reimbursement of the Expences of building and repairing the same:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said *Duncan Kelly*, his Heirs and Assigns, have Licence and Authority to erect and build a Bridge across the said River, at the said Place, and to execute and do all and singular Acts, Matters and Things, which to him may appertain, in Relation to erecting, securing, maintaining, promoting and keeping up the said Bridge, as a Toll-Bridge; he and they keeping and maintaining a convenient Draw in the said Bridge, for the Passage of Vessels without Expence. And the said *Duncan Kelly* shall cause the Person who may attend for the Purpose of collecting the Toll, who shall be an able-bodied Man, to aid and assist in raising the said Draw, for the Passage of Vessels, and in lowering the same.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Toll to be exacted for passing the said Bridge shall at no Time exceed the present Rate of Ferriage, as established by Law, at or near which the said Bridge is to be erected.

PROVIDED nevertheless, and it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That whenever the said Toll shall amount in Value to all Costs, Charges and Expences, of the erecting and keeping in Repair the said Bridge, with Interest thereon, together

together with such reasonable Allowance as, in the Opinion of this Assembly, the said *Duncan Kelly*, his Heirs and Assigns, shall be entitled to, for the Advances that shall have been made by him and them for the Purpose aforesaid, and for the Risque of his and their Property in the said Bridge, the said Toll shall be regulated by this Assembly.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, to ascertain the Produce of the said Toll, a fair Account thereof shall be kept by the said Duncan Kelly, his Heirs and Assigns, which shall be open to the Inspection of any Committee or Committees who may be appointed by this Assembly to inspect the same; and that a regular Account of the Expenditures be also rendered to such Committee or Committees.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That Henry Ward, Ray Greene, and Samuel Eddy, Esquires, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to revise the existing Laws of this State, passed previous to and at this Session of Assembly, which remain unrepealed; making the necessary Variations in the enacting Clauses and titular Distinctions, as from the present Usages in this State may appear necessary: That they make a fair Copy of the same, and present it to this Assembly for Consideration, as soon as may be; and that they also report such Amendments to particular Laws as to them may appear useful.

Committee
to revise the
Laws.

WHEREAS Messieurs Ephraim Bowen, James Burrill, Jacob Whitman, and Andrew Dexter, the standing Committee of the First Congregational Society in the Town of Providence, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that about the Year 1772 a Lottery was granted by this Assembly for repairing the Meeting-House of the said Society, and for other Purposes: And that the Directors of the said Lottery proceeded to sell the Tickets, and draw the Lottery, but have never finally settled their Accounts: And thereupon they prayed that the Bonds given by the said Directors may be delivered to them, for the Purpose of effecting a Settlement of the said Lottery: Which being duly considered

Petition of
the First
Congrega-
tional Socie-
ty in Provi-
dence.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Petition be granted; and that the General-Treasurer deliver the said Bonds to the said Committee.

WHEREAS George Thomas, Thomas Tefft, and Elisha R. Potter, who were appointed a Committee to adjust the Accounts of the Committee for building the Gaol in South-Kingstown, presented unto this Assembly the following Report, Statement of the Account, and an Account charged by Two of the Committee of Audit for their Services, to wit:

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Report upon
the Account
of the Com-
mittee for
building
Washington
Gaol. Dep.
Gov. and R.
Brown al-
lowed £ 79
11. 2½. G.
Thomas and
T. Tefft 18.

W^h the Subscribers, being appointed by the Honourable the General Assembly, at their Session in *October*, A. D. 1793, to re-examine the Accounts of the Committee for building the Gaol in *South-Kingstown*, beg Leave to report, that we have carefully examined the Accounts of the said Committee, with their Vouchers, and find the Sum of *Six Hundred and Four Pounds Nine Shillings and Tenpence Three Farthings* expended upon the said Building, as stated in our former Report, well vouched: That the said Committee presented some farther Charges, which were omitted in the former Settlement, amounting to *Twelve Pounds One Shilling and Fourpence*, which appears to have been advanced by them to complete the said Building, which Sums amount to *Six Hundred and Sixteen Pounds Eleven Shillings and Threepence Three Farthings*: And that it appears, by the Certificate of the General-Treasurer, that the said Committee had received out of the General-Treasury *Five Hundred and Seventeen Pounds Ten Shillings*, exclusive of *Ninety Pounds* granted them by the General Assembly, at *June* Session last, which leaves a Balance due to them of *Nine Pounds One Shilling and Threepence Three Farthings*. The said Committee made a Charge for their Services, which we refer to the General Assembly.

All which is submitted, by

GEORGE THOMAS,
THOMAS TEFFT,
ELISHA R. POTTER, } Committee.

The State of *Rhode-Island, &c.* in Account Current with *Samuel J. Potter*, and *Rowland Brown*, the Committee for building the Gaol in *South-Kingstown*, Dr.

1793.	}	To the Amount of the Accounts for Materials provided for and Work done in building the said Gaol, as by the Account of Particulars exhibited at the former Adjustment,	£ 604	9	10½
June 13.			To the Amount of several Accounts omitted at the last Audit,	12	1
			£ 616	11	2½

Creditor.

1790.	}	By £ 2100 received of the General-Treasurer, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, which was expended at the Rate of 20 for 1,	£ 105	0	0
Feb. 5.					
1792.	}	By £ 1350, of the like Money, expended at the Rate of 18 for 1,	75	0	0
Jan. 10.					
March 20.		By £ 2250, of the like Money, expended at the Rate of 16 for 1,	140	12	6
June 23.		By £ 1800, of the like Money, expended at the Rate of 16 for 1,	112	10	0
			1793.		

1793.	} By £ 1350, of the like Money; expended at the Rate of 16 for 1, By a Grant for Balance due to the Committee,			
March 1.		£	84	7 6
June,			90	0 0
			9	1 2 $\frac{3}{4}$
		£	616	11 2 $\frac{3}{4}$

State of Rhode-Island, &c. Dr. to George Thomas, and Thomas Tefft,

To our Time, Horse-Hire and Expences,
One Day each, in performing the said
Service,

£ 0 18 0

ALL which being duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted: That the said Balance of *Nine Pounds One Shilling and Twopence Three Farthings*, together with *Seventy Pounds* for their Services in building the said Gaol, be allowed to the said *Samuel J. Potter*, and *Rowland Brown*: That the said Sum of *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed to the said *George Thomas*, and *Thomas Tefft*; and that the said Sums be paid out of the General-Treasury in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, in full Discharge of their several Accounts.

UPON the Petition of *Thomas Arnold*, late a Captain in the Continental Battalions raised by this State, and an enrolled Invalid, the Lower House appointed a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit*:

T. Arnold
allowed £ 52
1 s. with Interest.

IN Pursuance of our Appointment, we have taken the afore-going Petition into Consideration, and inspected the Books of the Treasury, and beg Leave to report, that there is due to the said *Thomas Arnold*, on Account of his Pension, the Sum of *Fifty-two Pounds One Shilling*, with Interest from the First Day of *January*, A. D. 1786.

Which is submitted, by

SIMEON MARTIN,
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, } Committee.

ON due Consideration whereof;

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Fifty-two Pounds One Shilling* be paid to the said *Thomas Arnold* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, with Interest from the First Day of *January*, A. D. 1786.

AN

An ACT in Addition to an Act, entitled,
 “ An Act to prevent clandestine Marriages.”

Act in Addition to the Act respecting Marriages.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That regularly ordained Ministers of the religious Denomination called Methodists, and of every other religious Denomination within this State, shall have the same Authority to join Persons together in the State of Matrimony, that Assistants, Justices, and Ministers of the several Denominations, particularly named in the said Act, have by Law.



An End put to Easton's Lottery.

WHEREAS this Assembly did, at the Session in June, A. D. 1791, upon the Petition of *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq; Executor of the last Will of *Nicholas Easton*, late of *Newport*, deceased, grant a Lottery for the Sale of Eighty Acres of Land belonging to the Estate of the said *Nicholas Easton*, and did appoint Messieurs *Isaac Senter*, *Robert N. Auchmuty*, *Rowland Brown*, *Henry Sherburne*, and *Elisha R. Potter*, Esquires, Managers of the said Lottery, who gave Bond to the General-Treasurer for the faithful Discharge of the Trust reposed in them: And whereas the said Managers have represented unto this Assembly, that they have endeavoured, by all the Means in their Power, to dispose of the Tickets, but have not been able to effect it:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Mr. George Champlin* be and he is hereby appointed to make an Adjustment with the said Managers respecting the Sale of the said Tickets: That if it shall appear to him that all the Tickets which have been sold are called in, he give a Certificate of the same to the General-Treasurer, who shall thereupon cancel the Bond in his Office given by the said Managers: And that, upon the above mentioned Condition being fully and truly complied with, the Deed which was given by the said *Samuel J. Potter* of the said Eighty Acres of Land now in the Possession of the said *Isaac Senter*, be destroyed, and rendered null and void.

H. Bowen allowed £ 62 4s. 3d.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed by the Lower House to examine the Account of *Mr. Henry Bowen* against the State, for Attendance upon this Assembly, and the Courts of Law in the County of *Providence*, and for the Wages of the other Waiters, commencing in *March*, A. D. 1792, and ending at the present Session, presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, to wit:

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, we the Subscribers have examined the foregoing Account, and find the Sum of *Sixty-two Pounds*

Pounds Four Shillings and Threepence due to the said *Henry Bowen* thereon.

CHARLES WHEATON,
NOAH MATHEWSON,
NICHOLAS EASTON,
ROWSE BABCOCK, } Committee.

WHICH being duly considered;

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted : That the said Sum of *Sixty-two Pounds Four Shillings and Threepence* be allowed and paid to the said *Henry Bowen* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; and that the same be in full Discharge of his said Account.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be and he is hereby requested to write to the Senators and Representatives of this State in Congress, to make a Demand of the Commissioners for settling the Accounts between individual States and the United States, of all Documents and Papers relative to Claims on the Part of this State against the United States, which have not been allowed by the said Commissioners ; and upon receiving the said Documents and Papers, to transmit them by the first safe and convenient Opportunity to the General-Treasurer of this State, that they may be delivered, upon Application, to the original Creditors.

Gov. to write for the un-allowed Claims against the United States.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Account of *Richard Smith* and *Shearjashub Bourn*, Esquires, the Committee for building the Gaol in the County of *Bristol*, beg Leave to report, that we have carefully examined the said Account, and compared it with the Vouchers, and find a Balance due to the said *Richard Smith*, and *Shearjashub Bourn*, of *Seventy-four Pounds Three Shillings and a Penny Halfpenny* (exclusive of a Charge by them made for their Services in building the said Gaol, which we have not considered) agreeably to the Statement herewith presented.

R. Smith and *S. Bourn* allowed £ 109 3 s. 1½.

The State of *Rhode-Island, &c.* in Account current with *Richard Smith*, and *Shearjashub Bourn*, Dr.

To the Amount of the Sums expended in building the said Gaol, as by the Account of Particulars herewith presented,

£ 324 3 1½

Creditor.

By Cash received of the General-Treasurer, by Order of the General Assembly,

£ 150 0 0 By

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By Ditto,	£	100	0	0
Balance due from the State,		74	3	1½
	£	324	3	1½

ALL which is submitted, by

SAMUEL WARDWELL,
JOSHUA BICKNALL.

ON due Consideration of the Premises,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforefaid Report be accepted : That the faid Balance of *Seventy-four Pounds Three Shillings and a Penny Halfpenny*, together with *Thirty-five Pounds* for their Services in building the faid Gaol, be allowed and paid to the faid *Richard Smith*, and *Shearjashub Bourn*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; and that the same be in full Discharge of the faid Account, and for their faid Services.

Forfeited
Money
granted to
W. Ladd.

WHEREAS *William Ladd*, of *Newport*, Merchant, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that he some Time since tendered *Eleven Pounds Eight Shillings and Sixpence*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to satisfy a Judgment of Court against him in Favour of *Richard Hart*, late of *Tiverton*, deceased, which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury, agreeably to Law ; and that he hath since paid the faid Debt in Specie : And thereupon the faid *William Ladd* prayed this Assembly to return him the Money so lodged :

WHICH being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the faid *William Ladd* be and he is hereby empowered to draw out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein on the above mentioned Account.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit* :

R. Smith allowed £ 5
11 s.

WE the Subscribers being appointed a Committee to audit the Account of *Richard Smith*, Esq; Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*, beg Leave to report, that we have carefully examined the faid Account, and find due to him thereon the Sum of *Five Pounds Eleven Shillings*.

NOAH MATHEWSON,
NICHOLAS EASTON,
ROWSE BARCOCK,
CHARLES WHEATON, } Committee.

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforefaid Report be accepted : That the faid Sum of *Five Pounds Eleven Shillings* be allowed and paid to the faid *Richard Smith*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established

blished Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full Discharge of his Account to the present Time, for attending upon the Courts of Law, and delivering the Schedules, Proclamations and Commissions, to the proper Persons in the said County.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed, not to issue Executions against the Town-Treasurers of the several Towns in this State, which have not paid into the General-Treasury their Proportion of the State Tax assessed at the Session held in *June*, A. D. 1793, until after the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session: And that Interest be paid on all Arrearages due on the said Tax, until the same be paid.

Time allowed for the Payment of the Tax.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of the Town of *Westerly*, respecting a Highway in that Town near *Pawcatuck River*, laid out by the Town-Council thereof, be referred to the next Session: That public Notice be given in the *Newport Mercury* Three Weeks successively, to all Persons concerned, to appear then, and shew Cause, if any they may have, why the Prayer thereof should not be granted: And that in the mean Time all Proceedings, consequent upon the Decree of the Town-Council therein referred to, be stayed.

Petition from *Westerly* referred.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Mr. *John Wanton*, late Collector of Impost for the County of *Newport*, account to Messieurs *Bourn* and *Wardwell* for a certain Quantity of Tobacco, by them deposited with the said *John Wanton*, as Collector, at the Price then stated by Law; and that the said *John Wanton* sell the same to the best Advantage, and render an Account of the Sale to the Committee appointed to settle his Accounts.

J. Wanton to sell Tobacco.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs *Henry Ward*, *Thomas Noyes*, *William Greene*, *Samuel Eddy*, and *Ray Greene*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to revise the Table of Fees; and that they make such Alterations therein as they may think reasonable, and report to this Assembly at the next Session.

Committee to revise the Table of Fees.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of *Robert Lawton*, of *Newport*, Mariner, praying an Allowance for the Damages done to his Vessel, which was employed as a Flag of Truce in the late War with *Great-Britain*, be referred to the next Session; and that public Notice be given in the *Newport Mercury* to all Persons who are concerned, to appear then, and shew Cause, if any they may have, why the Prayer of the said Petition should not be granted.

R. Lawton's Petition referred.

UPON the Petition of the Directors of a Lottery granted for opening a new Road in the North Part of the Town of *Providence*, representing that they had completed the Lottery, and expended the Money

Committee to adjust the Accounts of the Lottery for the North Road in *Providence*. Money raised thereby, agreeably to their Appointment, and praying that a Committee may be appointed to settle their Accounts :

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs *Samuel Nightingale, James Arnold, and John Whipple*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to examine and settle the Accounts of the said Directors ; and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be :

Report upon the Claims of the Merchants in *Providence*. WHEREAS Messieurs *Noah Mathewson, Samuel Elam, Charles Wheaton, John S. Dexter, and William Barton*, who were appointed a Committee to examine the Claims of the Merchants in *Providence*, for Bounties and Drawbacks upon Goods exported, presented unto this Assembly the following Report *to wit* :

THE Committee appointed by a Resolution of the Honourable the General Assembly, at the Session held in *May*, A. D. 1793, beg Leave to report, that in Pursuance of their Appointment they met at the State-House in *Providence*, having previously given public Notice thereof to all concerned : That from the Claims exhibited for Drawbacks and Bounties, and the Proofs produced in Support of those Claims, there is due to the State from the undernamed Persons, who appeared before your Committee to advocate their Claims, the following Balances respectively, *to-wit* :

		Amount of Balances.
<i>Brown and Francis,</i>	N ^o 2 on the File,	£ 389 19 8
<i>Thomas Willing Francis,</i>	3	158 19 4
<i>Thomas Lloyd Halfey,</i>	4	14 3 7
<i>Joseph and William Russell,</i>	9	108 9 11 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Brown and Benson,</i>	10	242 5 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Thomas P. Ives,</i>	11	25 3 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Fenner and White,</i>	12	37 15 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Philip and Zachariah Allen,</i>	14	258 13 3 $\frac{3}{4}$
<i>Welcome Arnold,</i>	15	162 1 10 $\frac{1}{4}$
<i>Richard Jackson and Rufus Waterman,</i>	18	57 0 7 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Brown, Rogers and Brown,</i>	19	24 19 3
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		£ 1479 11 10 $\frac{1}{4}$

ON this Head your Committee cannot help observing, that of the Persons above mentioned some exhibited Claims for Drawbacks and Bounties on Goods to a very considerable Amount, Manifests and Bonds for the Exportation of which Goods were regularly made in the Office, but which Claims were rejected by your Committee, from a Consideration of the Want of satisfactory Evidence that those Goods were landed out of the State.—In other Instances, Claims have been exhibited for Drawbacks and Bounties upon Goods exported during the Existence of Mr. *Thompson's* Office, which Claims were not allowed, as Manifests and Bonds for such Exportations were not made and given in his Office, although Proof of the Landing of the greater

greater Part of such Goods out of the State was produced. The Determination of your Committee on these two Points was governed by the general Principles adopted by them, and which accompany this Report.

AND your Committee do also report, that there also appears to be due to the State from the undernamed Persons, who did not appear before your Committee, or exhibit any Claims to them for either Drawbacks or Bounties, the following Sums respectively, *to wit* :

<i>Benjamin Page,</i>	N ^o 5 upon the File,	£	4	8	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Christopher Bentley,</i>	6		5	4	11
<i>Jonathan Arnold,</i>	8		17	15	2
<i>Caleb Greene,</i>	13		27	6	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Daniel Coffin.</i>	23		6	5	10
<i>Cyprian Sterry,</i>	24		177	17	5 $\frac{1}{4}$
<i>Solomon Ingraham,</i>	25		3	3	6 $\frac{1}{2}$
		£	242	1	7 $\frac{1}{2}$

AND your Committee do further report, that there is due from the undernamed Persons, in whose Names Manifests and Bonds were made and given for the Exportation of Goods, but who neither appeared before your Committee nor produced Evidence of the Goods having been landed out of the State, and consequently the Drawbacks upon those Goods were not allowed, the following Sums respectively, *to wit* :

<i>Moses Lippitt, and Stephen Dexter,</i>	N ^o 16 upon the File,	£	83	11	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Stephen Dexter,</i>	17		12	8	11 $\frac{1}{4}$
<i>John Cathcart,</i>	20		1	7	6 $\frac{1}{4}$
<i>Phenix Fraser,</i>	21		3	1	5 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Samuel Chace,</i>	22		12	4	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Job and William Page,</i>	26		19	8	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
		£	132	2	5 $\frac{1}{2}$

AND your Committee do further report, that by the Account rendered by *Ebenezer Thompson*, Esq; late Collector, there is due for Duties on the Cargo of the Brigantine *Friendship*, *Joseph Tillinghast*, Master, entered on the 12th of June, A. D. 1790, from *Holroyd and Tillinghast*, N^o. 27 upon the File, £ 152 5 10

A PART of which Cargo was regularly manifested and bonded by the said *Holroyd and Tillinghast* for Exportation, but on which they have not claimed a Drawback, alledging the Injustice of being held on their Bond for the Duties on that Cargo, it being given after the Adoption of the Constitution by this State. And *Brown and Benson*, and *Thomas P. Ives*, have also made a similar Objection to their

Bond given for Duties on Goods imported by them in said Vessel, although they have regularly manifested and bonded some of those Goods for Exportation. A like Objection is made by *Brown* and *Francis* to the Payment of their Bond for Duties on Goods by the same Vessel, and by the Brig *Trinadada*, entered the 15th of June, A. D. 1790.

AND your Committee do further report, that there is due from the State to the undernamed Persons the following Balances, *to wit* :

<i>Thomas Arnold,</i>	N ^o 1 upon the File,	£	3	17	4
<i>Israel, John and Stephen Sheldon,</i>	28		5	12	9 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Clark and Nightingale,</i>	7		13	0	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
		£	22	10	3 $\frac{3}{4}$

AND lastly your Committee report, that *Brown* and *Benson* exhibited a Claim for 188 Bushels of Corn, delivered to Mr. *Thompson* on Account of Duties, beyond the Quantity which he had credited them in his Account ; which Claim hath not been satisfactorily adjusted between those Gentlemen and Mr. *Thompson*, and which therefore hath not been allowed.

All which is respectfully submitted.

NOAH MATHEWSON,	} Committee.
SAMUEL ELAM,	
CHARLES WHEATON,	
JOHN S. DEXTER,	
WILLIAM BARTON,	

To the Honourable the GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Providence, October 26, 1793.

ON due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted: That *Ebenezer Thompson*, Esq; be and he is hereby appointed to collect the Balances from the several Individuals, agreeably to the said Report : That the same be paid in Specie, specific Articles, or Paper Money, at the established Rate of Exchange, agreeably to the Act of this Assembly passed at a former Session : That the said *Ebenezer Thompson* cause such specific Articles as he may receive to be sold at public Vendue, and pay the Proceeds thereof, as well as the Specie and Paper Money he may receive, into the General-Treasury : That on Receipt of the said Balances from the Individuals, he deliver up or cancel their respective Bonds : That the Balances due from the State to the Individuals named in the said Report be paid them out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; and that the said *Samuel Elam* state the Account of each Individual, on which the said Balances have arisen, and deliver the same to the said *Ebenezer Thompson*, by him to be delivered to the several Individuals.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Mr. *Abel Bennett*, of *Coventry*, preferred a Petition and represented unto this Assembly, that he was Collector of Taxes for that Town from the Year 1770 to the Year 1782 : That, owing to various Accidents, a Balance on a Settlement made in the Year 1782, was found against him, in Favour of the State, of *Eighty-one Pounds Ten Shillings and Eightpence*, for which his real Estate was sold at public Auction, for less than its Value, and is now held by the State : And thereupon the said *Abel Bennett* prayed this Assembly to permit him to redeem the said Estate : And the said Petition being referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, to wit :

A. Bennett permitted to redeem his Estate.

To the Honourable GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

YOUR Committee having enquired into the Facts set forth in the Petition of Mr. *Abel Bennett*, offer the following Report : That upon his paying the Money, or giving good Security, upon Interest, to the General-Treasurer, for the Principal of the said Debt, with simple Interest from the Time it became due, the said real Estate be re-conveyed to him.

JOSEPH MATHEWSON,	} Committee.
JOB GREENE,	
CHARLES LIPPITT,	

AND the said Report being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same be accepted : And that upon the said *Abel Bennett's* paying to the General-Treasurer the Arrearages of the Taxes due from him, with simple Interest, from the Time the same became due, or giving good and sufficient Security for the Payment thereof, the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to give unto the said *Abel Bennett*, or to the Person who shall give such Security, a Quit-Claim Deed of all the Right and Interest which this State hath in the said real Estate.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Four Pounds Thirteen Shillings* *V. Gardner* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Vincent Gardner* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account to the Fourth Day of *November* last, for boarding *Rutter Gardner*, a State Pauper. allowed £ 4 13 s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sixpence* be allowed and paid to *Samuel Eddy*, Esq; out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House, and for providing Paper and Quills. allowed £ 3 16 s. 6 d.

Time assigned for hearing Petitions. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That this Assembly will, on the Third Day of the next Session, proceed to hear the private Petitions, and pursue the Docket regularly: And that a Copy of this Resolve be inserted in all the News-Papers in the State.

W. Givens allowed 10 s. 6 d. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *Ten Shillings and Sixpence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *William Givens* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full Discharge of his Account, for attending as a Waiter upon this Assembly, at the present Session.

Proceedings on Petitions stayed. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That all Proceedings in the Courts of Law, and on judgments obtained therein, for the Staying whereof Petitions are entered upon the Docket for Reception, or have been lodged in the Secretary's Office, agreeably to Law, be stayed until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session, on the same Conditions that are prescribed in the Act respecting lodging Petitions, passed at the last Session.

Adjournment. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the next Session: That the Secretary publish and transmit to the several Towns, in the usual Manner, the Acts and Orders now made and passed: And that this Assembly be and hereby is adjourned to the last Monday in March, A. D. 1794, then to convene at the State-House in *East-Greenwich*.

G O D save the UNITED STATES of AMERICA.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED:

W I T N E S S,

Henry Ward Leary

March, 1794.

I

At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island* and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden by Adjournment at *East-Greenwich*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the last *Monday* in *March*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-four, and of Independence the Eighteenth.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R

The HONOURABLE

Samuel J. Potter, Esq; Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq;
PELEG ARNOLD, Esq;
JONATHAN COMSTOCK, Esq;
CALEB GARDNER, Esq;
JOHN COOKE, Esq;
JAMES CONGDON, Esq;
THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq;
GEORGE BROWN, Esq;
JOB WATSON, Esq;
JOHN HARRIS, Esq;

Assistants.

The S E C R E T A R Y.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

The Honourable WELCOME ARNOLD, Esq; Speaker.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq;*
 Robert N. Auchmuty, *Esq;*
 Mr. Nicholas Taylor,
 Mr. Christopher Fowler,
 Simeon Martin, *Esq;*

PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Speaker,
 Charles Lippitt, *Esq;*
 John Smith, *Esq;*
 Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *Esq;*
 Mr. Samuel Elam,
 Mr. Robert Lawton,
 Mr. Thomas Potter.

WARWICK :

Mr. Benjamin Greene,
 Moses Arnold, *Esq;*
 Anthony Holden, *Esq;*
 Mr. Joseph Brown.

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq;*
 Rowse Babcock, *Esq;*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq;*
 Samuel Thomas, *Esq;*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Elisha R. Potter, *Esq;*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq;*

EAST-GREENWICH :

Mr. William Greene (*Son of*
 Benjamin)

Mr. George Tillinghast.

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden, *senior.*

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. Arnoid Paine,
 Mr. Henry Jenckes.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq;*
 Nathaniel Medbury, *Esq;*

GLOCESTER :

Samuel Winfor, *Esq;*

Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Robert Congdon,
 Mr. Edward Wilcox.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Mr. Amos Jacqways.

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq;*
 Joseph Mathewson, *Esq;*

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq;*
 Mr. Job Wilcox.

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. Easton Bailey,
 Mr. John Holmes.

BRISTOL :

Loring Peck, *Esq;*

TIVERTON :

None.

LITTLE-COMPTON.

Mr. Isaac Baley.

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton.

CUMBERLAND :

Mr. Jason Newell,
 Jotham Carpenter, *Esq;*

RICHMOND :

Thomas Tefft, *Esq;*
 Mr. Samuel Larkin.

CRANSTON :

William Warner, *Esq;*
 Caleb Williams, *Esq;*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq;*
 Moses Barber, *Esq;*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq;*

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith.

BARRINGTON :

Joshua Bicknal, *Esq;*
 Josiah Humphry, *Esq;*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq;*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq;*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Fifty Pounds Three Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Bennett Wheeler*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Printing done for the State, from January, A. D. 1793, to the present Time. *B. Wheeler*
allowed £ 50
3^s.

WHEREAS Mr. *Bennett Wheeler* exhibited unto this Assembly his Account, for Printing done for the State, from November 10th, A. D. 1785, to January 1st, A. D. 1793, amounting to One Hundred and Ninety-nine Pounds Twelve Shillings and Threepence: And whereas this Assembly hath, during that Time, made several Grants out of the General-Treasury to the said *Bennett Wheeler*, to the Amount of Two Hundred and Four Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Fivepence, which leaves a Balance of Five Pounds Four Shillings and Twopence due from him to the State: *B. Wheeler's*
Account.

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the said Account stand adjusted; and that the said Balance of Five Pounds Four Shillings and Twopence be deducted out of the Grant made to the said *Bennett Wheeler* by the preceding Resolve.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Nine Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Gibbs*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for repairing a Pair of Brass Handirons in the State-House at Providence. *J. Gibbs* al-
lowed 9^s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *John L. Bos*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for examining the General-Treasurer's Office, and burning Notes, &c. therein, and burning Bills of Credit in the Grand Committee's Office. *J. L. Bos*
allowed £ 1
7^s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Eighteen Pounds Nine Shillings and Threepence be allowed and paid to *Nehemiah Knight*, Esq; Sheriff of the County of Providence, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that it be in full Discharge of his Account to the present Time, for Attendance upon this Assembly, and upon the Courts in the County of Providence, for providing Wood and Candles for the State-House in that County, and for the Service of several Writs at the Suit of the State. *N. Knight*
allowed £ 1
9^s. 3^d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Three Pounds Five Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Isaac Bowen*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account. *I. Bowen*
allowed £ 3
5^s.

Account, for Work done upon the State-House in the County of Providence.

E. Bacon allowed £ 1 9s. 5d. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That One Pound Nine Shillings and Fivepence be allowed and paid to Mr. *Elijah Bacon*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for Work done upon the State-House in Providence.

C. Sheldon allowed £ 9 18s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Nine Pounds Eighteen Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Christopher Sheldon*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for serving as Health-Inspector for the Port of Providence, by the Appointment of his Excellency the Governor, to prevent the Introduction of the late contagious Distemper in Philadelphia.

S. Godfrey allowed £ 9 18s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Nine Pounds Eighteen Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Sammuel Godfrey*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for serving as Health-Inspector for the Port of Providence, under the Appointment of his Excellency the Governor, to prevent the Introduction of the contagious Distemper which lately prevailed in Philadelphia.

C. Gardner allowed £ 2 14s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Two Pounds Fourteen Shillings be allowed and paid to *Caleb Gardner*, Esq; out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for Wood provided for the State-House in the County of Washington.

C. Olney allowed £ 9 9s. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Nine Pounds Nine Shillings be allowed and paid to *Christopher Olney*, Esq; out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for Paper delivered to the Secretary from March the 2d, A. D. 1792, to the present Time.

Carter and Wilkinfon allowed £ 11 15s. 6d. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Eleven Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Sixpence be allowed and paid to *McIlieus Carter and Wilkinfon*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of their Account, for Printing done for the State to the present Time.

C. Sampson allowed £ 3 35s. 7d. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Three Pounds Fifteen Shillings and Sevenpence be allowed and paid to Mr. *Charles Sampson*, a Deputy

Deputy-Sheriff for the County of *Providence*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full Discharge of his Account, for Wood and Candles provided for the State-House in *Providence*, for Pullies, Screws and Cord, for the Windows, for Repairs upon the same, and for providing and making up a Cloth for the Table in the Council-Chamber.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Six Pounds Two Shillings and S. Phillips Elevenpence be allowed and paid to *Samuel Phillips, Esq;* out of ^{allowed £ 6} the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for boarding *Tony Rome*, a State Pauper, to *March 10th, A. D. 1794*, and furnishing him with several Articles of Cloathing. _{2 s. 11 d.}



An A C T incorporating a Society, by the Name of *The Johnston Library Company.*

WHEREAS Mr. *Joshua Angell*, of *Johnston*, in the County of *Providence*, hath represented unto this Assembly, that himself and Twenty-five others have associated themselves into a Company in the said Town of *Johnston*, which they have denominated *The Johnston Library Company*; and that they have expended a considerable Sum of Money in the Procurement of a Library of useful Books: And whereas the said Company hath made Application to this Assembly for a Charter of Incorporation: And this Assembly highly approving so laudable a Design, and being desirous to give all the Assistance and Encouragement which it so justly merits, ^{Charter to the Johnston Library Company.}

DO Enact, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That Daniel Manton, Caleb Harris, Abraham Belknap, Job Waterman, William Waterman, Edward Manton, Jeremiah Manton, Cyrus Harris, Benjamin Kimball, Daniel Wilbur, Alpheus Smith, Benjamin Whipple, Joy Ladd, Joshua Angell, John Brown, Esck Olney, Daniel Whipple, Emor Olney, jun. Andrew Waterman, James Angell, Laban Waterman, Zenos Winsor, Benjamin Harris, Jacob Belknap, Elisha Manton, and Daniel Thornton, and all others who shall be admitted by them Members of their Company, be and they are hereby constituted, erected and made a Body politic and corporate, to subsist at all Times forever hereafter in Deed and Name, by the Name of The Johnston Library Company; and by that Name shall and may have perpetual Succession, and be Persons able and capable in Law to have, hold, receive and enjoy Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments

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and Rents, in Fee Simple, or for Term of Life, Lives, Years or otherwise, not exceeding the Value of *Three Thousand Pounds*, Lawful Money; and also Goods, Chattels, and all other Things, of what Nature, Kind or Quality soever; and also to give, grant, let, sell or assign the same Lands, Tenements and Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels; and to do and execute all other Things about the same, by the Name aforesaid.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That they and their Successors, by the Name of *The Johnson Library Company*, be, and forever hereafter shall be a Company of Persons, able, capable and liable to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and to be answered unto, to defend and be defended against, in all or any of the Courts of Law, or otherwise before any of the Judges, Justices or other Persons whomsoever, in all Manner of Actions, Complaints or Pleas whatsoever. And it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Company and their Successors forever hereafter to have one common Seal for their Use, and the same at their Will and Pleasure to change and alter.

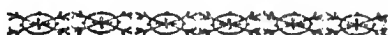
AND for the well governing and ordering the Affairs of the said Company,

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Company, and their Successors, to assemble and meet together on the First *Monday* in *October*, in every Year, and at such other Times as they shall think convenient, at their Library, or other suitable Place in the said Town of *Johnston*; provided that due public Notice be given at least Four Days before the Times of their Meetings, if the same be specially called, not only of the Day, Hour and Place of such Meeting, but of the Cause thereof, and of the Matters to be transacted therein: And that the said Company, or One Third Part of them at the least, being met in Person or by Proxy, duly constituted in Writing, shall have full Power and Authority from Time to Time to make, institute and establish such Laws, Statutes and Orders, as shall appear unto them, or the major Part of them present, to be useful and necessary for the Government, Regulation and Direction of the Company, and of every Member thereof; and for the appointing and regulating the Election to Nomination of Officers for said Company, and for limiting, appointing and defining their Trust and Authority, and for the admitting new Members; and to do all Things concerning the Government, Estates, Goods and Revenues, and all other the Business and Affairs of the said Company: All which Laws, Statutes and Orders, so to be made as aforesaid, shall be binding on every Member, and be from Time to Time inviolably observed, according to the Tenor and Effect of them; provided they be not repugnant to the Laws of the State.

AND for the easier and better Government of the said Company,

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Company, at their said Meeting on the said First Monday in October, shall annually choose Three Directors, a Treasurer and Librarian, for the said Company.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Company shall and may meet together, at the House of Edward Manton, Innholder, in the said Town of Johnston, on the Third Saturday in April, A. D. 1794, at Two o'Clock in the Afternoon, then and there to choose their Directors, a Treasurer and Librarian, for the said Company; who are to continue to exercise the Duty of their said Appointments until the First annual Meeting of the said Company.



UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *Stephen Watson*, of *North-Kingsdown*, Yeoman, representing that in *July*, A. D. 1786, he lodged with *Sylvester Gardner*, Esq; then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, the Sum of *Seventeen Pounds*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note by him given to *William Smith*, of *North-Kingsdown* aforesaid, Yeoman; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he has since paid the said *Smith* in another Manner; and praying that the same may be restored to him: Grant of forfeited Money to *S. Watson*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Stephen Watson* be and he is hereby empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein on the above mentioned Account.

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *John Whipple*, of *Providence*, Esq; representing that in the Year 1786 he tendered to *Thomas Proctor*, and *Charles Young*, a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Debt due to *Julian David*; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since discharged the said Debt in another Manner; and praying that the same may be restored to him: Grant of forfeited Money to *J. Whipple*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *John Whipple* be and he is hereby empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein on the above mentioned Account.

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *Jonathan Patt*, of *Johnston*, representing that he, with *Seth Tripp*, of said *Johnston*, tendered a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Debt due from them to *Job Smith*, of *Providence*; Grant of forfeited Money to *J. Patt*.

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dence ; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury ; and that they have since paid the said Debt in another Manner, and the said *Seth Tripp* hath transferred all his Interest in the said Money to him the Petitioner ; and praying that the same may be paid him :

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Jonathan Patt* be and he is hereby empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him and the said *Seth Tripp* actually lodged therein on the above mentioned Account.

Grant of forfeited Money to *S. Sanford*. UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *Samuel Sanford*, of *Tiverton*, representing that he lodged with *Gilbert Devol*, Esq; then a Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, a Sum of Money, to discharge a Debt due from him to *Gideon Davenport*, of *Newport*; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury ; and that he hath since paid the said Debt in another Manner; and praying that the same may be restored to him :

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Samuel Sanford* be and he is hereby empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein on the above mentioned Account, upon his producing to the General-Treasurer a Certificate from the said *Gideon Davenport* that the said Debt hath been paid to him.

Infantry Officers, Coventry.

WHEREAS this Assembly, at the Session in May, A. D. 1792, elected *Ezekiel Whitford* Lieutenant, and *Joshua Johnson* Ensign, of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *Coventry*, and also elected *Jonathan Briggs* Lieutenant, and *Josiah Gibbs*, jun. Ensign, of the Fourth Company in the said Town, who by some Accident never received their Commissions :

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That new Commissions be issued to the said Officers, bearing the same Date as the Commissions before issued.

Officers elected.

BOTH Houses being joined in a Grand Committee, elected *Parson Potter* Captain, *James Greene* Lieutenant, and *Benjamin Greene* Ensign, of the Third Company of Infantry in the Town of *Warwick*.

Act appointing a Day of Fasting and Prayer.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That it be recommended to the People of this State, to observe *Thursday*, the Seventeenth Day of *April*, in the present Year, as a Day of public Worship to ALMIGHTY GOD, and a Day of Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer; that it may please Him, through the Mediation of our REDEEMER, mercifully to forgive our public and private Sins and Transgressions ; to stay the Hand of Violence, and deliver our Citizens from Captivity ; to preserve us from the Calamities of War ; to protect and prosper our Trade and Navigation ; so to order

order and govern the Seasons of the Year, that Seed-Time and Harvest may not fail; to shield and secure us against the Pestilence that walketh in Darkness; to bless the Means of Education; to preserve and establish the Liberties of the United States, and the Rights of Man in all Countries: And above all Things, that it may please Him to reform our Manners; to advance the Interest of Religion; and to grant us grateful Hearts for His manifold Goodness to us and all Men.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That it be recommended to the Inhabitants of this State, to abstain from servile Labour and unnecessary Recreations on that Day: And that his Excellency the Governor be requested to issue a Proclamation accordingly.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition presented to this Assembly by the Town of *Charlestown*, for turning a Branch of *Pawcatuck* River into the large Salt-Pond, lying principally in that Town, and partly in *South-Kingsdown*, be referred to *Jonathan Comstock, Esq; Simeon Martin, Esq; Mr. Nicholas Easton, and Mr. Samuel Elam*: That the said Committee enquire into the Subject Matter of the said Petition; and that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be: And that no Expence accrue to the State thereby.



An ACT incorporating *Warwick North School Society*.

WHEREAS it is represented unto this Assembly, that *Amos Lockwood, Benjamin Gorton, John Lippitt, David Arnold, William Greene, William Greene (Son of Philip) Anthony Holden, John Waterman, jun. Caleb Greene, John Warner, Thomas Lippitt, Adam Lockwood, Benajah Lockwood, Thomas Lockwood, Nathaniel Cole, Thomas Warner, Abraham Lippitt, Thomas Wickes, William Lippitt, and Thomas Stafford*, are desirous of being formed into a Corporation, or Body politic, by the Name of *The Warwick North School Society*, for the Purposes of promoting useful Learning:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said *Amos Lockwood, Benjamin Gorton, John Lippitt, David Arnold, William Greene, William Greene (Son of Philip) Anthony Holden, John Waterman, jun. Caleb Greene, John Warner, Thomas Lippitt, Adam Lockwood, Benajah Lockwood, Thomas Lockwood, Nathaniel Cole, Thomas Warner, Abraham Lippitt, Thomas Wickes, William Lippitt, and Thomas Stafford*, and others their Associates, their Successors and Assigns, shall be and hereby are created a Corporation and Body politic, by the Name of the *Warwick*

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wick North School Society; and by that Name shall be and are hereby made able and capable in Law, as a Body politic, to have, purchase, possess and enjoy, to themselves, their Successors and Assigns, all Estate, both real and personal, whether obtained by Devise or otherwise, not exceeding the Value of *Three Thousand Pounds*; and the same to grant, sell or dispose of, by Deed or Deeds, at their own Will and Pleasure; to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and be answered unto, to defend and be defended against, in all Courts of Record, and before all proper Judges whomsoever, in all Causes, of whatsoever Name or Nature; and to ordain, establish, and put in Execution, such By-Laws, Ordinances and Regulations, as shall seem necessary and convenient for the Government of the said Corporation; and generally to do and execute all and singular Matters and Things which to them may appertain in Relation to the Advancement of the Design of the said Institution, provided that such By-Laws, Ordinances, Regulations, Acts and Doings, be not repugnant to the Laws of the State. And it shall and may be lawful for the said Corporation, and their Successors, to have a common Seal.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be a Meeting of the said Corporation on the *Second Monday in March* annually, at such convenient Place in the said Town of *Warwick* as the said Corporation shall appoint, for the Election of One Clerk, One Treasurer, One Sergeant, and a School-Committee, to consist of not more than Five, nor less than Three Members of the said Society; and for transacting any other Business that may come before them: That it shall be the Business and Duty of the said Committee to visit the said School twice in each Quarter, to see that the Regulations ordered by the said Corporation be complied with: That at the annual Meeting, Two Thirds of the Members of the said Corporation shall be present to constitute a Meeting for the Choice of the aforesaid Officers: That at any other Meeting of the said Corporation, whether by Adjournment or specially called, One Third of the Members shall be present to constitute a Meeting for transacting their necessary Business: That whenever it shall appear necessary to Three Members of the said Corporation to have a special Meeting thereof, it shall be in their Power, by Notification, to call a special Meeting of the said Corporation: That at every Meeting of the said Society, a Moderator shall be appointed to regulate the Business of the same: And that all Matters shall be decided by a Majority of the Votes of the Members present; which, not being repugnant to this Charter, or the Laws of the Land, shall be binding on the said Corporation.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That *John Waterman* shall be the First Clerk, *Amos Lockwood* the First Treasurer, and *Adam Lockwood* the First Sergeant of the said

said Corporation; and *Amos Lockwood, John Lippitt, Thomas Warner, Thomas Lippitt, and John Waterman, jun.* the First School-Committee thereof; all of them to continue in their respective Offices until the annual Election, to be holden on the Second Monday in March, A. D. 1795.



BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the Freeman of the several Towns in this State, in Town-Meeting legally convened, be and they are hereby authorized, and fully empowered, to cause Repairs to be made upon the Highways in their respective Towns by Taxes, or in such other Way as shall appear to them most conducive to the Interest of the Town.



An A C T empowering the United States to hold Lands for Fortifications.

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States, at the present Session, passed an Act for fortifying the Port and Harbour of *Newport*, and empowered the President of the United States to receive from any State (in Behalf of the United States) a Cession of the Land on which any Fortification may stand; or where such Cession shall not be made, to purchase such Lands, in Behalf of the United States; provided that no such Purchase shall be made where such Lands are the Property of a State:

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That there be and is hereby granted unto the United States of *America* all the Right, Title and Claim of this State to the Lands on which the Fortification on *Goat-Island*, in the Township of *Newport*, stands, together with the circumjacent Lands which have been heretofore improved by the State for the Purposes of Defence.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful for the Town of *Newport*, or any other Town in the State, or any individual Person in the State, by and with the Consent of his Excellency the Governor, to sell and dispose of to the President of the United States, for the Use of the United States, all such Lands as shall be deemed necessary to erect Fortifications upon, for the Defence of the Port

Port and Harbour of *Newport*, and to execute Deeds thereof in due Form of Law. And if the Town of *Newport*, or any other Town, or any Individual, shall not agree with the Person or Persons who may be appointed, by the President of the United States, to purchase such Lands, on the Value thereof, then, and in such Cases, his Excellency the Governor is hereby empowered to appoint three suitable Persons to appraise the said Lands; and upon Payment of the Value thereof, at such Appraisement, or upon the Tender thereof being refused, the Fee and Property of such Lands shall vest in the United States.

PROVIDED nevertheless, and it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all civil and criminal Processes issued under the Authority of this State, or any Officer thereof, may be executed on the Lands which may be so ceded, and within the Fortifications which may be thereon erected, in the same Way and Manner as if such Lands had not been ceded as aforesaid.



Grant of forfeited Money to *T. Reily*.

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *Terence Reily*, of *Providence*, Schoolmaster, representing that in *September*, A. D. 1789, he lodged with *Abraham Mathewson*, Esq; then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Providence*, a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note due to *Benjamin Pearce*; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since paid the said Note in another Manner; and praying that the same may be restored to him:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Terence Reily* be and he is hereby empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the same Money which was actually lodged therein on the above mentioned Account.

Grant of forfeited Money to *E. and S. Olney*.

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *Emor Olney*, of *Johnston*, and *Samuel Olney*, of *North-Providence*, Gentlemen, representing that in *September*, A. D. 1789, he the said *Emor Olney*, for himself and the said *Samuel*, lodged with *Abraham Mathewson*, Esq; then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Providence*, a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note due to *Joshua Greene*, of *Johnston* aforesaid; which being refused, was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that they have since paid the said Note in another Manner; and praying that the same may be restored to them:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Emor Olney*, and *Samuel Olney*, be and they are hereby empowered to draw out of the General-Treasury the same Money which was actually lodged therein on the above mentioned Account.

UPON the Account charged by the Town of *Providence* against the Grant to *Providence*, *State*, for the Maintenance of *John Skermes*, late a continental Soldier, *in* *Providence*, £ 44 inlisted for the State at large, from *August*, A. D. 1785, to *February*, A. D. 1788, when he died, for Cloathing furnished him, and for his funeral Expences, the Committee appointed by the Lower House presented the following Report, *to wit* :

THE Committee having duly considered the within Account, beg Leave to report, that in our Opinion the Charges are customary; and that there was due to the Town of *Providence* thereon, on the Eighth Day of *February*, A. D. 1788, the Sum of *Forty-four Pounds Seven Shillings*.

Which is submitted by

NOAH MATHEWSON, } Committee.
ROBERT N. AUCHMUTY, }

WHICH being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Forty-four Pounds Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to the Treasurer of the Town of *Providence*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit of this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

THE Committee who were appointed by the Lower House to audit Report upon the Account of Capt. *Stephen Jenckes*, for repairing *Pawtucket Bridge*, *S. Jenckes' Account, who is allowed £ 2* presented to this Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

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THE Subscribers being appointed a Committee to examine the within Account, do report, that we have carefully examined the same, and find that the Materials and Labour are charged at reasonable Rates; and that there is justly due to him a Balance of *Two Pounds Nine Shillings and Sevenpence Halfpenny*, agreeably to the Statement below.

Which is submitted by

CHARLES LIPPITT, } Committee.
NICHOLAS EASTON, }

The State of *Rhode-Island, &c.* to *Stephen Jenckes*, Dr.

For Materials provided for repairing *Pawtucket Bridge*, and for Labour done thereon, as per Account of Particulars,

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Creditor.

By Cash received of the General-Treasurer, by Order of the General Assembly, £ 9 0 0

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ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted ; and that the said Balance of *Two Pounds Nine Shillings and Sevenpence Halfpenny* be paid the said *Stephen Jenckes*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

A. Bennett
allowed £ 1
13s. 7d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Thirteen Shillings and Sevenpence* be allowed and paid to *Abel Bennett*, Town-Sergeant of *Coventry*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for Fees, and the Expences of himself and his Aid in apprehending and committing to Gaol one *John Corey*, a poor Prisoner, at the Suit of the State.



An A C T to organize the Militia of this State.

Act to orga-
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litia.

WHEREAS by the Constitution of the United States, the Congress have Power to provide for the organizing, arming and disciplining the Militia, and for governing such Part of them as may be employed in the Service of the United States ; reserving to the States respectively the Appointment of the Officers, and the Authority of training the Militia according to the Discipline prescribed by Congress : And whereas the Congress did, on the Eighth Day of *May*, A. D. 1792, pass an Act, entitled, “ An Act more effectually to provide for the national Defence, by establishing an uniform Militia throughout the United States ;” which Act is in the Words following, *to wit* :

“ *An ACT more effectually to provide for the national Defence, by establishing an uniform Militia throughout the United States.*

“ *B E it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled*, That each and every free able-bodied white male Citizen of the respective States, resident therein, who is or shall be of the Age of Eighteen Years, and under the Age of Forty-five Years (except as is herein after excepted) shall severally and respectively be enrolled in the Militia, by the Captain or Commanding Officer of the Company within

within whose Bounds such Citizen shall reside, and that within Twelve Months after the passing of this Act. And it shall at all Times hereafter be the Duty of every such Captain or Commanding Officer of a Company, to enrol every such Citizen, as aforesaid, and also those who shall, from Time to Time, arrive at the Age of Eighteen Years, or being of the Age of Eighteen Years, and under the Age of Forty-five Years (except as before excepted) shall come to reside within his Bounds ; and shall without Delay notify such Citizen of the said Enrolment, by a proper non-commissioned Officer of the Company, by whom such Notice may be proved. That every Citizen so enrolled and notified, shall, within Six Months thereafter, provide himself with a good Musket or Firelock, a sufficient Bayonet and Belt, two spare Flints, and a Knap sack, a Pouch, with a Box therein, to contain not less than Twenty-four Cartridges, suited to the Bore of his Musket or Firelock, each Cartridge to contain a proper Quantity of Powder and Ball ; or with a good Rifle, Knap sack, Shot-Pouch and Powder-Horn, Twenty Balls suited to the Bore of his Rifle, and a Quarter of a Pound of Powder ; and shall appear, so armed, accoutred and provided, when called out to exercise, or into Service, except that when called out on Company Days to exercise only, he may appear without a Knap sack. That the commissioned Officers shall severally be armed with a Sword or Hanger and Esponton, and that from and after Five Years from the passing of this Act, all Muskets for arming the Militia, as herein required, shall be of Bores sufficient for Balls of the Eighteenth Part of a Pound. And every Citizen so enrolled, and providing himself with Arms, Ammunition and Accoutrements, required as aforesaid, shall hold the same exempted from all Suits, Distresses, Executions or Sales, for Debt, or for the Payment of Taxes.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That the Vice-President of the United States ; the Officers, judicial and executive, of the Government of the United States ; the Members of both Houses of Congress, and their respective Officers ; all Custom-House Officers, with their Clerks ; all Post-Officers, and Stage-Drivers, who are employed in the Care and Conveyance of the Mail of the Post-Office of the United States ; all Ferrymen employed at any Ferry on the Post-Road ; all Inspectors of Exports ; all Pilots ; all Mariners actually employed in the Sea Service of any Citizen or Merchant within the United States ; and all Persons who now are or may hereafter be exempted by the Laws of the respective States, shall be and are hereby exempted from Militia Duty, notwithstanding their being above the Age of Eighteen, and under the Age of Forty-five Years.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That within One Year after the passing of this Act, the Militia of the respective States shall be arranged into Divisions, Brigades, Regiments, Battalions and Companies, as the Legislature of each State shall direct ; and each
Division,

Division, Brigade and Regiment, shall be numbered at the Formation thereof, and a Record made of such Numbers in the Adjutant-General's Office in the State; and when in the Field, or in Service in the State, each Division, Brigade and Regiment, shall respectively take Rank according to their Numbers, reckoning the first or lowest Number highest in Rank. That if the same be convenient, each Brigade shall consist of Four Regiments; each Regiment of Two Battalions; each Battalion of Five Companies; and each Company of Sixty-four Privates. That the said Militia shall be officered by the respective States as follows: To each Division One Major-General, and Two Aids-de-Camp, with the Rank of Major; to each Brigade, One Brigadier-General, with One Brigade-Inspector, to serve also as Brigade-Major, with the Rank of a Major; to each Regiment, One Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant; and to each Battalion, One Major; to each Company, One Captain, One Lieutenant, One Ensign, Four Sergeants, Four Corporals, One Drummer, and One Fifer or Bugler. That there shall be a regimental Staff, to consist of One Adjutant, and One Quarter-Master, to rank as Lieutenants; One Pay-Master; One Surgeon, and One Surgeon's Mate; One Sergeant-Major; One Drum-Major, and One Fife-Major.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That out of the Militia enrolled, as is herein directed, there shall be formed for each Battalion at least One Company of Grenadiers, Light-Infantry or Riflemen; and that to each Division there shall be at least One Company of Artillery, and One Troop of Horse: There shall be to each Company of Artillery, One Captain, Two Lieutenants, Four Sergeants, Four Corporals, Six Gunners, Six Bombardiers, One Drummer, and One Fifer. The Officers to be armed with a Sword or Hanger, a Fusée, Bayonet and Belt, with a Cartridge-Box to contain Twelve Cartridges; and each Private or Matros shall furnish himself with all the Equipments of a Private in the Infantry, until proper Ordnance and Field Artillery is provided. There shall be to each Troop of Horse, One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Cornet, Four Sergeants, Four Corporals, One Saddler, One Farrier, and One Trumpeter. The commissioned Officers to furnish themselves with good Horses of at least Fourteen Hands and an Half high, and to be armed with a Sword and Pair of Pistols, the Holsters of which to be covered with Bearskin Caps. Each Dragoon to furnish himself with a serviceable Horse, at least Fourteen Hands and an Half high, a good Saddle, Bridle, Mail-Pillion and Valise, Holsters, and a Breastplate and Crupper, a Pair of Boots and Spurs, a Pair of Pistols, a Sabre, and a Cartouch-Box, to contain Twelve Cartridges for Pistols: That each Company of Artillery and Troop of Horse shall be formed of Volunteers from the Brigade, at the Discretion of the Commander in Chief of the State, not exceeding One Company of each to a Regiment, nor more in Number than One Eleventh Part of the Infantry, and shall be uniformly clothed in Regimentals, to be furnished at their own
 Expence;

Expence ; the Colour and Fashion to be determined by the Brigadier commanding the Brigade to which they belong.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That each Battalion and Regiment shall be provided with the State and regimental Colours by the Field Officers, and each Company with a Drum and Fife, or Bugle-Horn, by the commissioned Officers of the Company, in such Manner as the Legislature of the respective States shall direct.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That there shall be an Adjutant-General appointed in each State, whose Duty it shall be to distribute all Orders from the Commander in Chief of the State to the several Corps ; to attend all public Reviews when the Commander in Chief of the State shall review the Militia, or any Part thereof ; to obey all Orders from him relative to carrying into Execution and perfecting the System of military Discipline established by this Act ; to furnish blank Forms of different Returns that may be required, and to explain the Principles on which they should be made ; to receive from the several Officers of the different Corps throughout the State, Returns of the Militia under their Command, reporting the actual Situation of their Arms, Accoutrements and Ammunition, their Delinquencies, and every other Thing which relates to the general Advancement of good Order and Discipline : All which the several Officers of the Divisions, Brigades, Regiments and Battalions, are hereby required to make in the usual Manner, so that the said Adjutant-General may be duly furnished therewith ; from all which Returns, he shall make proper Abstracts, and lay the same annually before the Commander in Chief of the State.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That the Rules of Discipline approved and established by Congress, in their Resolutions of the Twenty-ninth of March, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Seventy-nine, shall be the Rules of Discipline to be observed by the Militia throughout the United States, except such Deviations from the said Rules as may be rendered necessary by the Requisitions of this Act, or some other unavoidable Circumstances. It shall be the Duty of the Commanding Officer at every Muster, whether by Battalion, Regiment, or single Company, to cause the Militia to be exercised and trained agreeably to the said Rules of Discipline.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That all commissioned Officers shall take Rank according to the Date of their Commissions ; and when Two of the same Grade bear an equal Date, then the Rank to be determined by Lot, to be drawn by them before the Commanding Officer of the Brigade, Regiment, Battalion, Company or Detachment.

“ *AND be it further Enacted*, That if any Person, whether Officer or Soldier, belonging to the Militia of any State, and called out into the Service of the United States, be wounded or disabled while in actual Service, he shall be taken Care of and provided for at the public Expence.

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“ AND be it further Enacted, That it shall be the Duty of the Brigade-Inspector, to attend the regimental and Battalion Meetings of the Militia composing their several Brigades, during the Time of their being under Arms ; to inspect their Arms, Ammunition and Accoutrements ; superintend their Exercise and Manœuvres, and introduce the System of military Discipline before described throughout the Brigade, agreeable to Law, and such Orders as they shall, from Time to Time, receive from the Commander in Chief of the State ; to make Returns to the Adjutant-General of the State, at least once in every Year, of the Militia of the Brigade to which he belongs, reporting therein the actual Situation of the Arms, Accoutrements and Ammunition, of the several Corps, and every other Thing which in his Judgment may relate to their Government, and the general Advancement of good Order and military Discipline ; and the Adjutant-General shall make a Return of all the Militia of the State, to the Commander in Chief of the said State, and a Duplicate of the same to the President of the United States.

“ AND whereas sundry Corps of Artillery, Cavalry and Infantry, now exist in several of the said States, which by the Laws, Customs or Usages thereof, have not been incorporated with or subject to the general Regulations of the Militia :

“ B E it further Enacted, That such Corps retain their accustomed Privileges, subject, nevertheless, to all other Duties required by this Act in like Manner with the other Militia.”

SECTION 1. And whereas the Reservations contained in the said Constitution, relative to the Militia of the States respectively, render it necessary that Provision should be made in the Premises by the Legislature of this State :

B E it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the whole Militia of this State shall be arranged into One Division ; that the said Division shall constitute Four Brigades ; that the Militia in the Counties of Newport and Bristol shall form One Brigade, the Militia in the County of Providence One Brigade, the Militia in the County of Washington One Brigade, and the Militia in the County of Kent One Brigade : That the Brigade in the Counties of Newport and Bristol shall consist of Four Regiments, the Brigade in the County of Providence of Seven Regiments, the Brigade in the County of Washington of Four Regiments, and the Brigade in the County of Kent of Three Regiments : That each Regiment, whose Numbers, in the Opinion of the Field Officers, will admit of it, shall be divided into Two Battalions ; and that the said Militia shall be divided into Classes, under the Denominations of Senior Class and Infantry.

SECTION 2. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Regiments of Infantry be constituted as follows, to wit :*
That

That the Towns of *Newport*, *Portsmouth*, *New-Shoreham*, *Jamestown* and *Middletown*, constitute One Regiment ; and the Towns of *Tiverton* and *Little-Compton* One Regiment ; that the Towns of *Bristol*, *Warren* and *Barrington*, constitute One Regiment ; that the Towns of *Providence* and *North-Providence* constitute One Regiment, the Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland* One Regiment, the Town of *Scituate* One Regiment, the Town of *Glocester* One Regiment, the Towns of *Cranston* and *Johnston* One Regiment ; that the Towns *Westerly*, *Charlestown* and *Hopkinton*, constitute One Regiment ; the Towns of *North-Kingstown* and *Exeter* One Regiment, and the Towns of *South-Kingstown* and *Richmond* One Regiment ; and that the Towns of *Warwick* and *East-Greenwich* constitute One Regiment, and the Towns of *West-Greenwich* and *Coventry* One Regiment.

SECTION 3. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That there be Four Companies of Infantry in the Town of *Newport*, Five in the Town of *Providence*, Two in the Town of *Portsmouth*, Three in the Town of *Warwick*, Four in the Town of *Westerly*, One in the Town of *New-Shoreham*, Four in the Town of *North-Kingstown*, Four in the Town of *South-Kingstown*, Two in the Town of *East-Greenwich*, One in the Town of *Jamestown*, Three in the Town of *Smithfield*, Four in the Town of *Scituate*, Six in the Town of *Glocester*, Two in the Town of *Charlestown*, Three in the Town of *West-Greenwich*, Four in the Town of *Coventry*, Three in the Town of *Exeter*, One in the Town of *Middletown*, One in the Town of *Bristol*, Three in the Town of *Tiverton*, Two in the Town of *Little-Compton*, Two in the Town of *Warren*, Three in the Town of *Cumberland*, Two in the Town of *Richmond*, Three in the Town of *Cranston*, Four in the Town of *Hopkinton*, Four in the Town of *Johnston*, Two in the Town of *North-Providence*, One in the Town of *Barrington*, and Four in the Town of *Foster* ; and that the aforesaid Division, Brigades, Regiments, Battalions and Companies, be officered agreeably to the above recited Act of Congress, and engaged according to Law.

SECTION 4. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That in Addition to the Persons exempted from military Duty by the Act of the United States herein before recited, there shall be and hereby are exempted by this Act from such Duty, either in the Regiments of Senior Class or Infantry, the following Persons, *to wit* : The Members of both Houses of the Legislature, the Justices of the Superior Court of Judicature, the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas, the Secretary, the Attorney-General, the General-Treasurer, One Ferryman to each stated Ferry, the Ministers and Teachers of each Church or Congregation, the President, Professors, Tutors, Students and Steward of *Rhode-Island* College, and all Persons who are conscientiously scrupulous against bearing Arms, and who shall produce to the Captain in whose District they reside Certificates of their belonging to the Society of Friends, from the Clerk of their Meeting, or shall make Affirmation, before either of the

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the Justices of the Superior Court of Judicature, or of the Court of Common Pleas, of their being thus conscientiously scrupulous as aforesaid, and produce a Certificate that they have so affirmed.

SECTION 5. *Provided nevertheless, and it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That all Persons who are or shall hereafter be exempted from military Service as in the preceding Section, and shall not perform the same as directed by this Act, except as is herein after excepted, shall pay for such Exemption, and as an Equivalent for the said Services, the Sum of *Twelve Shillings* annually; that the same be paid into the Town-Treasuries of the respective Towns, for the Use of the State, to be appropriated as the General Assembly shall direct: That the Commanding Officers of the several Companies return a List of all those Persons to the Town-Treasurers of their respective Towns, who are hereby empowered and directed to issue their Warrants within Ten Days to the Town-Sergeants of their respective Towns, commanding them to collect and pay the same into the Town-Treasury within Forty Days: And that the Town-Treasurer of each Town make true Returns of the Sums of Money so collected to the General Assembly annually, at the General Election. *Provided further,* That every settled Minister of each Church and Congregation, the President, Professors, Tutors, Students, and Steward of *Rhode-Island* College, shall be exempted from paying the said Equivalent.

SECTION 6. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That all Persons of the following Descriptions be exempted from serving in the Regiments of Infantry, *to wit:* All Persons who have served or been in the Place of General Officers, Justices of the Peace or other commissioned Officers, the High Sheriff of each County when in Office, all sworn Practitioners in the Law, Physicians, Surgeons, Apothecaries, One Miller to each Grist-Mill, Town-Council-Men, Town-Treasurers, Town-Clerks and Town-Sergeants, while serving in their respective Stations.

SECTION 7. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That all Persons exempted as in the last preceding Section be formed into a separate Corps, to be known and called by the Name of Senior Class, in the several Brigades to whose Districts they appertain; and that they be officered in the same Manner as the Regiments and Companies of Infantry, and be subject to the same Regulations, except as to the Times of mustering and training.

SECTION 8. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That the Senior Class of the Town of *Providence* constitute One Company, that of the Town of *Cranston* One Company, that of the Town of *Johnston* One Company, that of the Town of *North-Providence* One Company, that of the Town of *Smithfield* One Company, that of the Town of *Cumberland* One Company, that of the Town of *Scituate* One Company, that of the

the Town of *Glocester* One Company, that of the Town of *Foster* One Company; which said Companies shall form One Regiment: That the Senior Class in the Town of *Westerly* constitute One Company, that of the Town of *Charlestown* One Company, that of the Town of *Hopkinton* One Company, that of the Town of *North-Kingstown* One Company, that of the Town of *Exeter* One Company, that of the Town of *South-Kingstown* One Company, that of the Town of *Richmond* One Company; which said Companies shall be formed into One Regiment: That the Senior Class in the Towns of *Bristol*, *Warren* and *Barrington*, constitute One Company; that of the Town of *Tiverton* One Company, that of the Town of *Little-Compton*, One Company, that of the Towns of *Newport* and *Jamestown* One Company, that of the Towns of *Portsmouth* and *Middletown* One Company; which Companies shall be formed into One Regiment: And that the Senior Class in the Towns of *Warwick* and *East-Greenwich* constitute One Company, that of the Town of *West-Greenwich* One Company, and that of the Town of *Conventry* One Company; which Companies shall be formed into One Regiment. And the said several Corps of Senior Class shall be officered in the like Manner as is prescribed by the said Act of Congress.

SECTION 9. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That it shall be the Duty of the Commanding Officers of Companies of every Description in this State, on or before the First Day of *June* next, to enrol every able-bodied white male Citizen belonging to their said Companies, and to notify such Persons of their Enrolment by a proper non-commissioned Officer of such Company: And that the said Commanding Officers make a Return of the same to the Commandants of the Regiments to which they respectively belong, who shall make Returns of their respective Regiments to the Brigadier-Generals. And where said Companies are not attached to any Regiment, Returns shall be made to the Adjutant-General within Twenty Days after such Enrolment. And it shall be the Duty of the Brigade-Major of such Brigade, from such Returns to form a Brigade Return, and send the same to the Adjutant-General, on or before the Fifteenth Day of *September* next, who shall, from the several Returns thus made, form a general Return, and present the same to his Excellency the Governor on or before the First Day of *October* next.

SECTION 10. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That every Corporal who shall neglect to warn the Men to appear at every Rendezvous mentioned in this Act, when thereunto required as aforesaid, without sufficient Excuse, shall forfeit the Sum of *Twelve Shillings*, Lawful Money: That every non-commissioned Officer or Private who shall neglect to appear at the regimental Rendezvous, shall forfeit the Sum of *Six Shillings*, and for every Day he shall neglect to appear at the Company Parade, he shall forfeit *Four Shillings and Sixpence*. And if he shall not be armed and equipped according to the said Act of Congress,

gress, when so appearing, without sufficient Excuse, he shall, for appearing without a Gun, forfeit *One Shilling and Sixpence*; without a Bayonet and Belt, *Sixpence*; without a Cartouch-Box and Cartridges, *Sixpence*; without a Knap sack, *Threepence*; and without Flints, Priming-Wire and Brush, *Threepence*. Provided always, that none of the Fines aforesaid, nor any other except those mentioned in the Fifteenth Section of this Act, shall be levied on any Delinquent until after the Expiration of Ten Days from the Time of such Delinquency, nor then, if the Town-Councils of the respective Towns to which such Delinquents may belong shall have determined that the said Delinquents are unable to provide themselves with Arms. And all Fines which such Captain, or Commanding Officer of the Company, shall determine as proper to be exacted, shall be levied by Warrant from the Captain, or Commanding Officer of such Company, to be issued after the Expiration of Twenty Days from the Time of such Delinquency, directed to One or more Sergeants or Corporals of the Company to which such Offender belongs; whose Duty it is hereby made to collect the same, with such Fees as are taxable by Law for the like Services in civil Cases, by Distress and Sale of the Goods and Chattels of the Offenders respectively; and for Want thereof, by Imprisonment, until such Fine and Cost shall be paid: That in case any such Defaulter shall live with his Father or Mother, or shall be an Apprentice or indented Servant, the Master or Mistress, Father or Mother (as the Case may be) shall be liable to pay such Fine, with Cost; in Default of which Payment, the said Sergeant or Corporal shall levy the same upon the Goods and Chattels of the said Father or Mother, Master or Mistress: That all Fines shall be appropriated under the Direction of the several Town-Councils to which the respective Delinquents may belong: And that a Sum not exceeding *Six Shillings* per Day shall be allowed to the Corporal, for warning the Company to which he belongs; which Sum shall be paid him by the Captain of said Company out of the first Fines and Forfeitures collected therein, agreeably to this Act; the Number of Days for which the Corporal shall be in Pay, for warning the Company, as aforesaid, shall be ascertained and allowed by the Captain or Commanding Officer of such Company discretionally.

SECTION 11. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the Duty of the Field Officers of the several Regiments of Senior Class and Infantry, to proceed with all convenient Speed in forming the several Companies of Grenadiers, Light-Infantry and Riflemen, for their said Regiments, agreeably to the afore-recited Act of Congress.

SECTION 12. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That each Regiment of Infantry in this State shall meet Twice in every Year by Companies, for the Purpose of training, disciplining and improving them in martial Exercise, and Once in every Year in
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Regiment or Battalion: That all Regiments of Senior Class shall meet in Companies Once in every Two Years, for the Purpose of training, disciplining and improving them in martial Exercise: And that the Places of rendezvousing by Companies be appointed by the Commanding Officers of the respective Companies: The Places of Regimental or Battalion Rendezvous, by the Commandants of the Regiments respectively; the Times of rendezvousing by Companies, by the respective Commandants of the Regiments; and the Times of Regimental or Battalion Rendezvous, by the respective Brigadiers: And that any Officer who shall neglect or refuse to appear as aforesaid with his Company, when duly notified, and not having sufficient Excuse, shall be tried by a Court-Martial; and if found guilty, shall be broke and reduced to the Ranks. Provided nevertheless, that the Militia of *New-Shoreham* shall not be obliged to rendezvous in Battalion, but in Company only, and then on the Island of *Block-Island*.

SECTION 13. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That whenever the Commanding Officer of any Company shall receive Orders from the Brigadier of the District in which he resides, or the Commandant of the Regiment (except in Cases of Alarm) he shall issue his Warrant for their assembling to the Corporals of his Company Ten Days before the Time appointed for Muster, requiring them to warn the Men of their respective Districts to be by him assigned, either by personal Notice, or by leaving Word at their usual Places of Abode, to assemble at the Time and Place appointed, equipped according to Law. And the said Corporals shall cause the said Warrants to be served Six Days before, and return the same, with their Doings thereon, One Day before the assembling as aforesaid.

SECTION 14. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That it shall be the Duty of the Brigade-Major in each District, to furnish a Copy of all Orders for Muster to the Commandants of Regiments within each respective Brigade.

SECTION 15. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That when the Troops, or any Part of them, shall be assembled together, for Review or otherwise, it shall be in the Power of the Commanding Officer present to punish all Disorders, or Breaches of military Order and Discipline, whether in non-commissioned Officers or Privates, by immediately putting the Offender under Guard, for a Space of Time not exceeding Twelve Hours, or by a Fine not exceeding *Six Shillings*, at the Discretion of the Commanding Officer; the said Fines to be collected as before mentioned.

SECTION 16. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That if any Person, who is a Member of any independent Company, do not produce a Certificate from the Commanding Officer of the Company to which he belongs, specifying that he is a Member of such Company, to the Officer who shall warn him

him for Muster, at any Meeting of the Company of the District wherein he resides, he shall be held for the Fines specified in this Act.

SECTION 17. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That whenever the military Force of this State, or any Part thereof, shall be called into actual Service, they shall be subject to the Articles of War prescribed by Congress for the Government of the Troops of the United States.

SECTION 18. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That from and after the First *Wednesday* in *May* next, all Officers of the Militia deriving their Appointments from the General Assembly, shall hold their respective Appointments for and during the Term of One Year from the Time of their respective Appointments, excepting in case of Resignation, or being removed by the Legislature for Misdemeanor, or broke by Sentence of a Court-Martial.

SECTION 19. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That in Addition to the Officers to be appointed, pursuant to the afore-recited Act of Congress, there be also appointed for the Militia of this State One Director and Purveyor-General of the military Hospital, One Surgeon and Physician-General, One Quartermaster-General, One Commissary-General, with the Power of Substitution as Occasion may require : And that the Adjutant-General shall have the Rank of Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant.

SECTION 20. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That every regimental Court-Martial shall consist of at least Seven commissioned Officers, One whereof at least being a Captain, and shall be appointed by the Commanding Officer of the Regiment, who is empowered to confirm, mitigate or disapprove, any Sentence by them given.

SECTION 21. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That every General Court-Martial shall consist of at least Thirteen commissioned Officers, One whereof shall be a General or Field Officer, to be appointed by the Major-General, or in his Absence by the next Officer present in Command ; who is also empowered to approve, mitigate or annul, any Sentence by them given.

SECTION 22. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That the Divisions of Companies as now existing in the several Towns be continued, subject, however, to such Alterations as their present Numbers or future Increase or Diminution may, in the Judgment of the Field Officers of the Corps to which they belong, from Time to Time render necessary or expedient.

SECTION 23. *And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid,* That whenever it shall happen that any Surveyor of the Highways shall

shall have warned the Men of his District to work on the Highways, on the same Day that shall be assigned for the Training pursuant to this Act, the said Warning to work upon the Highways shall be considered as superseded.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Laws heretofore made relative to organizing and disciplining the Militia of this State, be and the same are hereby repealed: And that this Act shall take Effect, and be in Force, from and after the First Day of May next.

IT is ordered, That a Copy of this Act be inserted in all the Newspapers in this State.



IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Committee appointed by this Assembly, at the last Session, to revise the Table of Fees, be and they are hereby continued for that Purpose; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

Committee to revise the Table of Fees continued.

THE following Report and Account were presented unto this Assembly, to wit:

Report of the Committee who sold the old Gaol in the County of Washington.

WE the Subscribers, being appointed by the General Assembly, at the Session in October, A. D. 1792, a Committee to sell the old Gaol in the County of Washington, beg Leave to report, that agreeably to our Appointment we advertised the Sale thereof, and sold the same at public Auction to *Cyrus French, Esq;* for the Sum of *Fifteen Pounds*, Lawful Money, he being the highest Bidder; and gave him a Bill of Sale, conveying all the Right and Title of this State therein, agreeably to the Act of Assembly.

All which is submitted by

GEORGE THOMAS,	} Committee.
ELISHA R. POTTER,	
THOMAS TEFFT,	

The State of *Rhode-Island, &c.* to the Committee Dr.

For our Time, Horse-Hire and Expences,
in doing the said Business, 3 Days each,
at 9s. per Day each,

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WHICH being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted; that the said *George Thomas, Elisha R. Potter, and Thomas Tefft*, pay the said Sum of *Fifteen Pounds* into the General-Treasury; that their Account be allowed; and that *One Pound Seven Shillings*

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be paid to each of them out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

THE following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit* :

Four per Cent.
Notes and
Bills of Credit,
emitted
in 1775 and
1776, to be
consolidat-
ed.

IN Obédience to the Resolution of the Honourable the Lower House of Assembly, passed at the last Session, on the Petition of *Elizabeth Easton*, Widow and Executrix of the last Will and Testament of *Nicholas Easton*, late of *Newport*, deceased, the General-Treasurer offers the following Report: That in *August*, A. D. 1778, there was deposited in the General-Treasury, among other Monies tendered to the said *Nicholas Easton*, the Sum of *Eight Hundred and Forty-eight Dollars*, in State Notes, Principal, dated in *February* and *March*, in the Year 1777, bearing an Interest of *Four per Cent.* per Annum: That at *October* Session, A. D. 1782, the General Assembly empowered and directed the General-Treasurer to consolidate the Notes of the said Emissions, according to their Value, by this State's Scale of Depreciation, on the Day the last Note was dated, with Interest at *Four per Cent.* per Annum, and to give his Notes therefor, payable One Half in Five and the other Half in Six Years, with Interest at *Six per Cent.* per Annum for the same. Soon after the passing the said Act, most of the said Emissions were brought in and consolidated, agreeably thereto; but the Notes mentioned in the said Petition, and some others of the same Description (not to a very large Amount) remain still to be consolidated.

As the General-Treasurer conceives it to be the Meaning of the Honourable House to place the Petitioner, and others in the like Circumstances, on the same Footing with those who carried in their Notes Reasonably for Consolidation, agreeably to the Spirit and Meaning of the said Act, passed at *October* Session, A. D. 1782, then it will be proper to order all the said outstanding Notes to be consolidated agreeably thereto, reckoning the Interest thereon at *Four per Cent.* per Annum, from their Date to the First Day of *November*, A. D. 1782; and from that Time Interest at *Six per Cent.* per Annum to the Period the said Notes shall be brought into the General-Treasury; and that the General-Treasurer be directed and empowered to issue his Notes therefor, payable on Demand, and carrying an Interest of *Six per Cent.* per Annum, from their respective Dates; so that the Holders of the said Notes may be enabled to subscribe them to any new Loan which may be opened to provide for the Remainder of the Debt of this State.

THE General-Treasurer would further beg Leave to observe to the Honourable House (although the Subject is not immediately connected with the afore mentioned Petition) that there still remain outstanding some of the Bills of Credit emitted by this State in the Years 1775 and 1776, which, agreeably to an Act
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passed at *November* Session, A. D. 1782, were ordered to be brought into the General-Treasury, and Notes to be issued therefor, payable in Three Years from the Date, with Interest at *Six per Cent.* per Annum. As the Sum outstanding is small, and the Holders of the said Bills will be subject to Injury, if a Loan should be opened, by not having it in their Power to subscribe to the same, the General-Treasurer respectfully suggests to the Honourable House the Propriety of making all Notes, that may hereafter be issued in Payment for the said Bills, payable on Demand, instead of Three Years from their respective Dates.

Which is submitted by

HENRY SHERBURNE,
General-Treasurer.

Newport, March 28, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer consolidate the aforesaid Notes tendered to the said *Nicholas Easton*, agreeably to the Act of this Assembly passed at *October* Session, A. D. 1782, and give his Note therefor to the Executrix of the said *Nicholas Easton*, payable on Demand, with Interest at the Rate of *Six per Cent.* per Annum from the First Day of *November*, A. D. 1782.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That all Notes that may hereafter be issued, in Payment of the Bills of Credit emitted by this State in the Years 1775 and 1776, be payable on Demand, with Interest.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Seven Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Sixpence* be allowed and paid to the Town-Treasurer of *Newport*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of an Account charged by the said Town against the State, for the Expenses which arose in Consequence of a Number of Vessels, belonging to this State, having performed Quarantine at *Coaster's Harbour*, on Account of the malignant Distemper which lately prevailed at *Philadelphia*. *Newport*, £ 7 17 s. 6 d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Six Pounds Six Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Henry Bowen*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that it be in full Discharge of his Account, for attending upon the Superior Court of Judicature, at their last Term in the County of *Providence*, and for providing a Waiter and Keeper of the Jury. *H. Bowen* allowed £ 6 6 s.

The following Report was made to this Assembly, to wit :

The General-Treasurer respectfully presents to the Honourable Legislature the following Report.

Towns

Report of the
General-
Treasurer.

March, 1794.

Towns deficient in the Payment of the State Tax, ordered in
June, A. D. 1793, exclusive of Interest.

<i>Portsmouth,</i>	£	18	2	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	
<i>Jamestown,</i>		34	13	10	
<i>Middletown,</i>		34	3	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	
<i>Triverton,</i>		53	6	0 $\frac{1}{2}$	
<i>Little-Compton,</i>		35	10	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	
<i>New-Shoreham,</i>		17	13	9	
		<hr/>			£ 193 10 8 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>Providence,</i>		158	12	6	
<i>Cranston,</i>		28	9	9	
<i>Foster,</i>		7	13	9	
		<hr/>			194 16 0
<i>North-Kingstown,</i>		16	3	3 $\frac{1}{2}$	
<i>South-Kingstown,</i>		264	2	0	
<i>Charlestown,</i>		70	10	2	
<i>Richmond,</i>		55	17	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	
<i>Hopkinton,</i>		31	11	7 $\frac{1}{2}$	
<i>Exeter,</i>		121	8	10 $\frac{1}{2}$	
		<hr/>			559 13 2
<i>Warwick,</i>		13	8	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	
<i>East-Greenwich,</i>		113	13	6	
<i>West-Greenwich,</i>		108	8	8	
		<hr/>			235 10 10 $\frac{1}{2}$
		<hr/>			£ 1183 10 9

DRAUGHTS have often been presented to him for the Payment of the Clerks of the Superior Courts, and of the Courts of Common Pleas, the former at the Rate of *Two Shillings* per Day, and the latter at the Rate of *Ninepence* per Day, agreeably to the Table of Fees: But as the Law does not particularly direct from what Source they should be paid, he requests the Honourable Assembly to determine whether they shall be paid out of the General-Treasury, or from some other Source.

THE General-Treasurer further reports, that the Continental Certificates and Indents which were found among the Papers of the late *Joseph Clarke*, Esq; belonging to the State, and reported by the Committee to the General Assembly, at the Session in *October* last, have been loaned to the United States, and are transferred to and now placed on the Books of *Jabez Bowen*, Esq; Commissioner of Loans, in the Name of *Henry Sherburne*, in Trust for the State:

THE Particulars thereof are as follow, *to wit*:

208 Dollars and 89 Cents, bearing Interest at 6 *per Cent.* from *January 1, 1791.*

228 Dollars and 66 Cents; bearing Interest at 3 *per. Cent.* from January 1, 1791.

104 Dollars and 44 Cents; bearing Interest at 6 *per. Cent.* from January 1, 1801.

Which is submitted by

HENRY, SHERBURNE,
General-Treasurer.

Newport, March 31, 1794.

WHEREUPON,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be and he is hereby directed not to issue Executions against the Town-Treasurers of the several Towns in this State, which have not paid into the General-Treasury their Proportions of the State Tax assessed at the Session held in June, A. D. 1793, until after the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session: And that Interest be paid on all Arrearages due on the said Tax until the same be paid.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seventeen Shillings and Ninepence Halfpenny be allowed and paid to Mr. Stephen Hassard, late Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Washington, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange: And that the same be in full Discharge of his Account, for the Expence of erecting a suitable Place in which to deposite the Books of Record and Files of Papers of the said Courts.

WHEREAS Mr. Benjamin Greene, Jonathan Comstock, Esq; and Benjamin Howland, Esq; the Committee appointed by the General Assembly, at the Session in June, A. D. 1791, to examine the Necessity of altering the Running of a Road in Coventry, did severally exhibit to this Assembly their Accounts for Services and Expences in performing the said Business, amounting each of them to One Pound Seven Shillings: Which being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Accounts be allowed; and that the said Sum of One Pound Seven Shillings be paid to each of the said Committee out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

THE Committee who were appointed to audit the Account of Jonathan Niles, Esq; Sheriff of the County of Kent, for repairing the Gaol in that County, presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit*:

THE Committee appointed to examine the Account of Jonathan Niles, Esq; beg Leave to report, that we have carefully examined the same, and compared it with the Vouchers produced by him;

H

and

March, 1794.

and that, agreeably to the Statement herewith presented, there is a Balance due to the said *Jonathan Niles* of *Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings* and *Ninepence*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, which, at the established Rate of Exchange, is *Nine Shillings* and *Threepence* Specie.

Which is submitted by

WILLIAM GREENE, }
ANTHONY HOLDEN, } Committee.

The State of *Rhode-Island, &c.* to *Jonathan Niles*, Dr.

For Materials provided for repairing the
Gaol in the County of *Kent*, and Labour
done thereon, as per the Account of Par-
ticulars herewith presented, amounting,
in the Bills of Credit emitted by this
State, to

£ 456 18 9

Creditor.

By Cash received out of the General-
Treasury, by Order of the General As-
sembly, in the like Money,
Balance due to *Jonathan Niles*,

£ 450 0 0
6 18 9

£ 456 18 9

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted; and that the said Balance of *Nine Shillings* and *Threepence* be paid to the said *Jonathan Niles* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.



An A C T for admitting Inhabitants of Towns to be Witneses, as well for as against such Towns. in Suits at Law.

Inhabitants
admitted to
be Witneses
for the
Towns they
live in.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That in all Suits at Law, whether of a civil or criminal Nature, now depending, or that shall hereafter be depending, in any Court within this State, wherein any Town therein is or may be a Party, any Inhabitant of such Town shall and may be a competent Witness; and his Deposition may be used, if duly taken and for legal Cause, in the Trial of the Cause, as well for as against such Town; provided he hath no other Interest therein than as an Inhabitant or Member of such Town,
and

and is not otherwise legally disqualified. Any Law, Usage or Custom, to the contrary notwithstanding:

PROVIDED nevertheless, and it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act shall not be construed to extend to any Cause which hath been heretofore finally determined.



WHEREAS an Account, charged against the State by the Town of Bristol, for the Support of distressed French Exiles, amounting to One Hundred and Four Pounds and Twopence, which having been examined and approved by the Town-Council of the said Town, was presented to this Assembly, and by the Lower House referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, to wit:

Grant to
Bristolian Ac-
count of the
French Ex-
iles, £104
2d.

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, we the Subscribers have carefully examined the foregoing Account, and compared the Charges with the Vouchers, and find them to be right.

Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
NOAH MATHEWSON,
NICHOLAS EASTON, } Committee.

ON due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted; and that the said Sum of One Hundred and Four Pounds and Twopence be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the said Town of Bristol, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by the State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petitions lodged for Reception upon the Files of the Clerk of the Lower House, be heard for Reception before any which may be hereafter lodged in the Secretary's Office be tried: That all Proceedings upon the Petitions so lodged for Reception, praying for the staying of Proceedings on Judgments of Court or Executions, be stayed until they shall be heard for Reception: And that such of the said Petitioners as are imprisoned shall be liberated from Gaol, until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session, upon their giving Bonds, to the Satisfaction of the Sheriff of the County where they stand committed, to return to Prison, if their Petitions shall be rejected or not granted.

Act respect-
ing Peti-
tions.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Thirteen Shillings 7. Pearce al-
be allowed and paid to Mr. James Pearce out of the General- lowed £1
Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this 13^d.
State,

State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for cleaning the State-House in the County of *Kent*, and for his Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

H. Niles allowed £1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Henry Niles*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

T. Briggs allowed £1 7s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Briggs*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Attendance as a Waiter upon this Assembly, at the present Session.

S. Eddy allowed £3 16s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Three Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Sixpence be allowed and paid to *Samuel Eddy*, Esq; out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House, and for providing Paper and Quills.

S. E. Gardner allowed £2 14s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Two Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Sixpence be allowed and paid to *Samuel E. Gardner*, Esq; Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for the Cost of a Book for recording the Judgments of the said Court.

A. and D. Allen allowed £1 4s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Four Shillings be allowed and paid to Messieurs *Abel* and *Darius Allen*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of their Account, for Repairs made upon the State-House in the County of *Providence*.

Act respecting the Suability of States.

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States, at the present Session, passed the following Resolve, *to wit* :

“ *RESOLVED*, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of *America*, in Congress assembled, Two Thirds of both Houses concurring, that the following Article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, as an Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified,

fed by Three Fourths of the said Legislatures, shall be valid as Part of the said Constitution, *to wit* :

“ THE judicial Power of the United States shall not be construed to extend to any Suit in Law or Equity, commenced or prosecuted against one of the United States by Citizens of another State, or by Citizens or Subjects of any foreign State.”

ON due Consideration whereof,

B E it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the above recited Article be and it is hereby approved and ratified, as an Amendment of the said Constitution.

I T is Voted and Resolved, That all military Officers who have ^{Officers con-}not been re-chosen, and in whose Places others have not been ^{tinued.} elected, continue in their respective Offices until the next Session of this Assembly, with as full Power as they have at any Time heretofore had.

I T is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this ^{Adjourn-}Assembly unfinished, be and the same is hereby referred to the ^{ment.} next Session : That the Secretary publish and transmit to the several Towns, in the usual Manner, Copies of the Acts and Orders now made and passed : And that this Assembly be and hereby is adjourned, to meet again according to Law.

GOD save the UNITED STATES of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED :

W I T N E S S,



May, 1794.

At the General Assembly of the Governor and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and holden, at *Newport*, within and for the State aforesaid, on the first *Wednesday* in *May*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-four, and in the Eighteenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, Esquire,

G O V E R N O R.

The HONORABLE

SAMUEL J. POTTER, Esq. Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, Esq.	}	Assistants.
PELEG ARNOLD, Esq.		
JONATHAN COMSTOCK, Esq.		
CALEB GARDNER, Esq.		
JOHN COOKE, Esq.		
JAMES CONGDON, Esq.		
THOMAS HOXSIE, Esq.		
GEORGE BROWN, Esq.		
JOB WATSON, Esq.		
JOHN HARRIS, Esq.		

The S E C R E T A R Y.

DEPUTIES

May, 1794.

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

NEWPORT :	CHARLESTOWN :
George Champlin, <i>Esq.</i>	Mr. Robert Congdon,
Mr. Caleb Greene,	Mr. Edward Wilcox.
Mr. Nicholas Taylor,	WEST-GREENWICH :
Mr. John L. Bofs,	Mr. Amos Jacqways,
Mr. Christopher Fowler,	Mr. Ishmael Nichols.
Simeon Martin, <i>Esq.</i>	COVENTRY :
PROVIDENCE :	Job Greene, <i>Esq.</i>
Welcome Arnold, <i>Esq.</i>	Joseph Mathewson, <i>Esq.</i>
Charles Lippitt, <i>Esq.</i>	EXETER :
John Smith, <i>Esq.</i>	Christopher Pierce, <i>Esq.</i>
Mr. Nicholas Easton.	Mr. Job Willcox.
PORTSMOUTH :	MIDDLETOWN :
Abraham Anthony, <i>jun. Esq.</i>	Mr. William Peckham,
Tillinghast Almy, <i>Esq.</i>	Mr. Nicholas Easton.
Mr. Robert Lawton,	BRISTOL :
Mr. Thomas Potter.	Mr. Samuel Wardwell,
WARWICK :	Loring Peck, <i>Esq.</i>
Moses Arnold, <i>Esq.</i>	TIVERTON :
Anthony Holden, <i>Esq.</i>	Thomas Durfee, <i>Esq.</i>
Mr. Joseph Brown,	Abraham Barker, <i>Esq.</i>
Mr. Stephen Greene (<i>Son of John.</i>)	LITTLE-COMPTON :
WESTERLY :	Mr. George Simmons,
Thomas Noyes, <i>Esq.</i>	Mr. Isaac Baley.
Rowse Babcock, <i>Esq.</i>	WARREN :
NEW-SHOREHAM :	Mr. Charles Wheaton,
Mr. William Littlefield.	Ichabod Cole, <i>Esq.</i>
NORTH-KINGSTOWN :	CUMBERLAND :
Daniel Updike, <i>Esq.</i>	Mr. Jason Newell,
George Thomas, <i>Esq.</i>	Jotham Carpenter, <i>Esq.</i>
SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :	RICHMOND :
Elisha R. Potter, <i>Esq.</i>	Mr. Samuel Larkin,
Rowland Brown, <i>Esq.</i>	Mr. Jonathan Maxson.
EAST-GREENWICH :	CRANSTON :
Mr. William Greene (<i>Son of</i>	William Warner, <i>Esq.</i>
Benjamin)	Caleb Williams, <i>Esq.</i>
Mr. George Tillinghast.	HOPKINTON :
JAMESTOWN :	George Thurston, <i>Esq.</i>
Mr. Nicholas Carr,	Moses Barber, <i>Esq.</i>
Mr. John Weeden, <i>sen.</i>	JOHNSTON :
SMITHFIELD :	Noah Mathewson, <i>Esq.</i>
Arnold Paine, <i>Esq.</i>	Mr. William Waterman.
Mr. Henry Jenckes.	NORTH-PROVIDENCE :
SCITUATE :	Mr. Edward Smith,
James Aldrich, <i>Esq.</i>	Stephen Jenckes, <i>jun. Esq.</i>
Job Randall, <i>Esq.</i>	BARRINGTON :
GLOUCESTER :	Joshua Bicknall, <i>Esq.</i>
Samuel Winfor, <i>Esq.</i>	Josiah Humphry, <i>Esq.</i>
Mr. Silas Thayer.	FOSTER :
	William Tyler, <i>Esq.</i>
	Daniel Howard, <i>Esq.</i>

The Honorable WELCOME ARNOLD, *Esq.* was chosen Speaker, and
SAMUEL EDDY, *Esq.* Clerk of the Lower House.

THIS being the anniversary Election of all Officers both civil and military, the Gentlemen whose Names are set down in the subsequent List were chosen to the Offices ascribed to them respectively, *to wit* :

His Excellency *Arthur Fenner*, Esq. Governor. Engaged.

The Hon. *Samuel J. Potter*, Esq. Deputy-Governor. Engaged.

Thomas G. Hazard, Esq. First Assistant. Engaged.

Peleg Arnold, Esq. Second Assistant. Engaged.

Jonathan Comstock, Esq. Third Assistant. Engaged.

Caleb Gardner, Esq. Fourth Assistant. Engaged.

John Cooke, Esq. Fifth Assistant. Engaged.

James Congdon, Esq. Sixth Assistant. Engaged.

Thomas Hoxsie, Esq. Seventh Assistant. Engaged.

George Brown, Esq. Eighth Assistant. Engaged.

Job Watson, Esq. Ninth Assistant. Engaged.

John Harris, Esq. Tenth Assistant. Engaged.

Henry Ward, Esq. Secretary. Engaged.

Ray Greene, Esq. Attorney-General. Engaged.

Henry Sherburne, Esq. General-Treasurer. Engaged.

<i>Daniel Owen</i> , Esq. Chief,	} Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and throughout the State.
<i>William Taggart</i> , Esq. Second,	
<i>Walter Cooke</i> , Esq. Third,	
<i>Joshua Bicknall</i> , Esq.* Fourth,	
<i>Thomas Tillinghast</i> , Esq. Fifth,	

<i>Constant Taber</i> , Esq. Chief,	} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of <i>Newport</i> .
<i>Oliver Durfee</i> , Esq. Second,	
<i>Perez Richmond</i> , Esq. Third,	
<i>William Anthony</i> , jun. Esq. Fourth,	
<i>Nicholas P. Tillinghast</i> , Esq. Fifth,	

<i>Caleb Harris</i> , Esq. Chief,	} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of <i>Providence</i> .
<i>John Burton</i> , jun. Esq. Second,	
<i>Stephen Steer</i> , Esq. Third,	
<i>John Dorrance</i> , Esq. Fourth,	
<i>Arnold Paine</i> , Esq. Fifth,	

<i>Peter Phillips</i> , Esq. Chief,	} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of <i>Washington</i> .
<i>Gideon Clarke</i> , Esq. Second,	
<i>Robert Stanton</i> , Esq. Third,	
<i>John Allen</i> , Esq. Fourth,	
<i>Thomas Tefft</i> , Esq. Fifth,	

Stephen

* Who resigned his Seat as a Deputy, and was engaged as a Judge.

May, 1794.

Stephen Arnold, Esq. Chief,	} Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of Kent.
Anthony Low, Esq. Second,	
Isaac Johnson, Esq. Third,	
Benjamin Johnson, Esq. Fourth,	
Stephen Greene (of East-Greenwich) Esq. Fifth,	

Christopher Ellery, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Newport*.

William Barton, jun. Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Providence*.

James Sheldou, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Washington*.

Jonathan Russell, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery; within and for the County of *Bristol*.

Allen Fry, Esq. Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Kent*.

Thomas Peckham, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Newport*.

James Fenner, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Providence*.

Samuel E. Gardner, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Washington*.

Daniel Bradford, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Bristol*.

Benjamin Howland, Esq. Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*.

William Davis, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Newport*.

Nekemiah Knight, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Providence*.

Nicholas Gardner, jun. Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Washington*.

Richard

Richard Smith, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*.

Jonatban Niles, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Kent*.

Christopher Ellery, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Newport*.

Samuel Chace, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Providence*.

George Thomas, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Washington*.

Shearjashub Bourn, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Bristol*.

Hopkins Cooke, Esq. Public Notary for the County of *Kent*.

JUSTICES of the PEACE for the several Towns.

Newport :

Henry Sherburne,
Benjamin Sayer,
Christopher Ellery,
Robert Taylor,
Henry Peckham,
Jonathan Almy,
Peleg Barker,
Esquires.

Providence :

Samuel Chace,
Nathaniel Wheaton,
James Arnold,
John Mawney,
William Tyler, 2d.
James Fenner,
Samuel Thurber, jun.
William Richmond,
George Tillinghaft,
William Jones,
Obadiah Brown,
Esquires.

Portsmouth :

Tillinghaft Almy,
Henry Lawton,
Gideon Dennis,
Samuel Shearman,
Giles Lawton, jun.
Thomas Hickes,
Andrew M'Currie, jun.
Esquires.

Warwick :

Benjamin Barton,
James Jerauld,
Anthony Holden,
Joseph Arnold (*Son of*
Caleb)
James Rhodes, jun.
Peter Greene,
John Clapp,
Henry Arnold,
George Greene,
Esquires.

Westerly :

Simeon Burdick,
Samuel Bliven,
Joseph Clarke,
Samuel Brown,
John Sisson,
Nathan Barber,
Joseph Potter,
Paul Maxson,
Esquires.

North-Kingstown :

George Thomas,
Daniel Updike,
William Corey,
Nicholas C. Northup,
William Reynolds,
William Northup,
Oliver Gardner,
Isaac Vaughan,
Slocum Hall,
Christopher

May, 1794.

Christopher Gardner,
Esquires.

South-Kingstown:

John Waite,
Caleb Tefft,
Samuel Curtis,
Daniel Shearman, jun.
John Seagar,
Samuel E. Gardner,
Samuel Helme,
Barber Peckham,
Samuel Hoxsie,
James Shearman, jun.
Cyrus French,
Levi Totten,
Esquires.

East-Greenwich:

Benjamin Howland,
Hopkins Cooke,
George Spencer,
Mumford Davis,
Isaac Carr,
David Vaughan, 3d.
William Greene,
George Nichols,
Andrew Boyd,
Esquires.

Smithfield:

John Savles,
John Mann,
Elisha Olney,
Joel Aldrich,
Edward Medbury,
Benjamin Sheldon,
Esquires.

Scituate:

John Harris,
Daniel Westcott,
Job Randall,
Simeon Arnold,
Stephen Harris,
Elihu Fish,
Esquires.

Charlestown:

Peleg Cross,

Jonathan Macomber,
Ichabod Burdick,
Simeon Babcock,
Nathan Tyler,
John Collier,
William Kinyon,
Jesse Crandall,
Esquires.

West-Greenwich:

Samuel Hopkins,
Levi Whitford,
Ishmael Nichols,
Job Spencer,
Caleb Hall,
Esek Carr,
George Potter,
Stephen Wilcox,
Nathaniel Pullman,
Esquires.

Coventry:

William Stone,
Joseph Manchester,
Benjamin Greene,
Joseph Wickes, jun.
Joseph Rice,
Esquires.

Exeter:

Stephen Reynolds,
Christopher Pierce,
Nicholas Gardiner, (*Son of*
Ezekiel)
Samuel Bissell,
Samuel Gorton,
Stephen Champlin,
Jeffery Hazard,
Lillibridge Barber,
Oliver Arnold,
Perry Tanner,
Esquires.

Middletown:

Elisha Allen,
Benjamin Gardiner,
William Taggart, jun.
Esquires.

Bristol:

Bristol :
Daniel Bradford,
Josiah Finney,
Newton Waldron,
Samuel R. Paine,
Esquires.

Tiverton :
Thomas Durfee,
Lemuel Tabor,
Redford Dennis,
Esquires.

Little-Compton :
Adam Simmons,
Enos Giffard,
Thomas Palmer,
John Davis,
Sanford Almy,
Esquires.

Warren :
William T. Miller,
Benjamin Barton,
Edward Chace,
Samuel Child,
Esquires.

Cumberland :
Jotham Carpenter,
Nathaniel Shepardson
Levi Ballou,
Holliman Potter,
Esquires.

Richmond :
James Sheldon,
Remington Clarke,
James Potter,
Presbury Hoxsie,
Jonathan Maxson,
Esquires.

Cranston :
William Warner,
John R. Arnold,
Jeremiah Randall,

Joseph Aborn,
John A. Burton,
Philip Arnold,
John Wightman,
Esquires.

Hopkinton :
David Nichols,
Robert Burdick,
Josiah Winter,
Thomas P. Gardner,
Randall Wells,
Daniel Babcock,
Moses Barber,
Abraham Coon,
Esquires.

Johnston :
Abraham Belknap,
Joseph Borden, jun.
Benjamin Kimball,
Caleb Alverfon,
Cyrus Harris,
Joseph Williams,
Esquires.

North-Providence :
Hope Angell,
Ezekiel Whipple,
Caleb Jenckes,
Stephen Jenckes, jun.
Esquires.

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Josiah Humphry, jun.
Solomon Townsend, jun.
Esquires.

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Caleb Potter,
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May, 1794.

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Joseph Allen, Esq. Second, } tia in the County of *Providence*.

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Thomas Westcot, Esq. First, } Major of the First Regiment of Mi-
Moses Arnold, Esq. Second, } litia in the County of *Kent*.

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May, 1794.

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Benjamin Fry, Esq. Second, } in the County of *Providence*.

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Nathan Pendleton, Esq. Second, } ment in the County of *Washington*.

Joseph Arnold (Son of *Caleb*) } Major of the Senior Class Regi-
Esq. First, } ment in the County of *Kent*.
Hopkins Cooke, Esq. Second, }

Isaac Senter, M. D. Director and Purveyor-General of the Military Hospital of the State.

The same *Isaac Senter*, Surgeon and Physician-General of the Militia of the State.

Jobu Mathewson, Esq. Quarter-Master-General of the Militia of the State.

Charles Lippitt, Esq. Commissary-General of the Militia of the State.

Robert Rogers, Esq. Adjutant-General of the Militia of the State.

Cyrus French, Inspector of the Brigade of Militia in the County of *Washington*.

Stephen Arnold, Inspector of the Brigade of Militia in the County of *Kent*.

John Wanton, Captain, } of *Fort-Washington*, in the Township of
John Carr, Gunner, } *Newport*.

OFFICERS to command the several Companies of INFANTRY,
to wit :

First Regiment in the County of
Newport :

Newport :

First Company :

William Allen, Captain,
Samuel Carr, Lieutenant,
George W. Tew, Ensign.

Second Company :

Joseph Lyon, Captain,
Nathaniel Lyon, Lieutenant,
James Anthony, Ensign.

Third Company :

Charles Davenport, Captain,
Thomas Mumford, Lieutenant,
William Hall, jun. Ensign.

Fourth

Fourth Company :
 Joseph Bofs, Captain,
 Peleg Cranston, Lieutenant,
 Daniel Dunham, Ensign.
 Senior Class Company in the
 Towns of *Portsmouth* and
Middletown :
 John Earle, Captain,
 William Lawton, Lieutenant,
 Walter Cornell, Ensign.
Portsmouth :
 First Company :
 Cooke Wilcox, Captain,
 Gideon Shearman, Lieutenant,
 George Brownell, Ensign.
 Second Company :
 Peleg Almy, Captain,
 Thomas Potter, jun. Lieutenant,
 Stephen Cornell, Ensign.
New-Shoreham Company :
 Edward Sands, Captain,
 John Paine, Lieutenant,
 John Gorton, Ensign.

Jamestown Company :
 Peleg Carr, jun. Captain,
 Daniel Howland, Lieutenant,
 Thomas Carr, Ensign.
Middletown Company :
 Oliver Cornell, Captain,
 Clarke Taggart, Lieutenant,
 Samuel Peckham, Ensign.
 First Regiment in the County
 of *Providence* :
Providence :
 First Company :
 George Tillinghast, Captain,
 Jabez Gorham, Lieutenant,
 Samuel Arnold, Ensign.
 Second Company :
 Joshua Lindley, Captain,
 Benjamin Andrews, Lieutenant,
 George R. Burrill, Ensign.
 Third Company :
 George Weeden, Captain,
 Jeremiah Whiting, Lieutenant,
 Ebenezer K. Dexter, Ensign.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Act of this Assembly passed in the Year 1792 dividing the Fourth Company of Infantry in the Town of *Providence* into two Companies be repealed ; and that they form one Company, by the Name of the Fourth Company, in the same Manner they did before the passing of the said Act.

BOTH Houses being resolved into a Grand Committee proceeded upon the Election, and chose

Providence :
 Fourth Company :
 Daniel Proud, Captain,
 Oliver Pearce, Lieutenant,
 Payton Dana, Ensign.
 Fifth Company :
 Jeremiah Jenckes, Captain,
 Eber Coleman, Lieutenant,
 James Ormsby, Ensign.
North-Providence :
 First Company :
 John Stone, Captain,
 Richard Whipple, Lieutenant,
 Jenckes Rutenburg, Ensign.
 Second Company :
 Benjamin Jenckes, Captain,
 George Robinson, Lieutenant,
 James Mason, Ensign.

First Regiment in the County of
Washington :
Westerly :
 Senior Class Company :
 Henry Wells, Captain,
 James Rofs, Lieutenant,
 Jonathan Sifton, Ensign.
 First Company :
 Timothy Chapman, Captain,
 Simeon Lewis, Lieutenant,
 John Barber, Ensign.
 Second Company :
 Joseph Noyes, jun. Captain,
 Arnold Bliven, Lieutenant,
 Nicholas Clarke, Ensign.

Third

Third Company :

Nathaniel Stillman, Captain,
Joseph Potter, Lieutenant,
Nathan Potter, Ensign.

Charlestown :

Senior Class Company :

James Peckham, Captain,
Stephen Stanton, Lieutenant,
Joseph Davis, Ensign.

First Company :

Ethan Crandall, Captain,
Braddock Peckham, Lieutenant,
Benjamin Macomber, Ensign.

Second Company :

Joseph Hoxsie, jun. Captain,
Joseph Stanton, jun. Lieutenant,
Joseph Holway, Ensign.

Hopkinton :

Senior Class Company :

Nathan Wells, Captain,
Nathan Barber, Lieutenant,
Gardner Thurston, Ensign.

First Company :

Jeremiah Thurston, Captain,
Thomas Langworthy, Lieut.

Second Company :

James Wells, jun. Captain,
Clarke Wells, Lieutenant,
Russell Maxson, Ensign.

Third Company :

Benjamin Barber, Captain,
Nathan Maxson, Lieutenant,
John Kinyon, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Phineas Edwards, Captain,
John Tanner, Lieutenant,
Ethan Stillman, Ensign.

Regiment in the County of

Bristol :

Benjamin Bosworth, Captain of
the Senior Class Company.

First Regiment in the County of

*Kent :*Senior Class Company in *War-*
wick and East-Greenwich :

Thomas Warner, Captain,
Mumford Davis, Lieutenant,
James Miller, Ensign.

Warwick :

First Company :

Joseph Batty, Captain,
Bennett Low, Lieutenant,
Thomas Stafford, Ensign.

Second Company :

James Greene, (2d.) Captain,
Benedict Arnold, (2d.) Lieut.
Joseph Arnold (Son of Joseph)
Ensign.

Third Company :

Pardon Potter, Captain,
Benjamin Greene, Lieutenant,
Dutée Arnold, Ensign.

Second Regiment in the County
of *Newport :**Tiverton :*

Senior Class Company :

Isaac Cooke, Captain,
Pierce Perry, Lieutenant,
Philip Manchester, Ensign.

First Company :

Joseph Baley, Captain,
Abraham Manchester, Lieut.
Benjamin Cooke, Ensign.

Second Company :

Richard Durfee, Captain,
Baulston Brayton, Lieutenant,
Jonathan Borden, Ensign.

Third Company :

William Durfee, Captain,
Nathan Briggs, jun. Lieutenant,
Abner Durfee, Ensign.

Little-Compton :

Senior Class Company :

Nathaniel Church, Captain,
Cornelius Briggs, Lieutenant,
Isaac Baley, Ensign.

First Company :

Isaac Simmons, Captain,
Caleb Church, Lieutenant,
Abraham Baley, Ensign.

Second Company :

Joseph Pierce, Captain,
Thomas Richmond, Lieutenant,
Jonathan Hilyard, Ensign.

Second Regiment in the County
of *Providence* :

Smithfield :

Senior Class Company :

Job Mowry, Captain,
George Streeter, Lieutenant,
Richard Sayles, jun. Ensign.

First Company :

Nathan Dexter, Captain,
Adam Jenckes, Lieutenant,
Abraham Angell, Ensign.

Second Company :

Caleb Aldrich, jun. Captain,
Moses Aldrich, Lieutenant,
Arnold Paine, jun. Ensign.

Third Company :

Obed Seaver, Captain,
Andrew Waterman, jun. Lieut.
Nathaniel Mowry, Ensign.

Cumberland :

Senior Class Company :

Benjamin S. Walcott, Captain,
Simon Wilkinson, Lieutenant,
Elijah Brown, Ensign.

First Company :

Isaac Otis, Captain,
Squire Aldrich, Lieutenant,
Welcome Whipple, Ensign.

Second Company :

William Ballou, Captain,
Barnch Aldrich, Lieutenant,
Ezekiel Ballou, Ensign.

Third Company :

John Walcott, Captain,
Amos Arnold, Lieutenant,
Oliver Harris, Ensign.

Second Regiment in the County
of *Washington* :

North-Kingstown :

Senior Class Company :

Stukely Hill, Captain,
George Tenant, Lieutenant,
George Thomas, jun. Ensign.

First Company :

Benjamin Reynolds, Captain,
Caleb Hill, jun. Lieutenant,
Caleb Allen, Ensign.

Second Company :

Ezbon Sanford, Captain,
George Bissel, Lieutenant,
Thomas R. Congdon, Ensign.

Third Company :

Lodowick Updike, jun. Captain,
Isaac Hall, Lieutenant,
Daniel Thomas, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Daniel Congdon, Captain,
James Shearman, Lieutenant,
Henry Congdon, Ensign.

Exeter :

Senior Class Company :

Samuel Bissel, Captain,
Oliver Spink, Lieutenant,
Ebenezer Wilcox, Ensign.

First Company :

George Reynolds (*Son of Ro-*
bert) Captain,
Benjamin Greene (*Son of Abra-*
ham) Lieutenant,
Henry Reynolds, Ensign.

Second Company :

Stephen Lewis, Captain,
Jeremiah Pendleton, Lieutenant,
John Maguire, Ensign.

Third Company :

Benjamin Lewis, Captain,
Samuel Lewis, Lieutenant,
Afa Wilcox, Ensign.

Second Regiment in the County
of *Kent*.

West-Greenwich :

Senior Class Company :

John Mathewson, Captain,
Silas James, Lieutenant,
Simeon Whitford, Ensign.

First Company :

Karmy Whitford, Captain,
Nathaniel Niles, Lieutenant,
Daniel Greene, Ensign.

Second Company :

Silas Baily, Captain,
Joseph Fry, Lieutenant,
Caleb Bailey, jun. Ensign.

Third Company :

David Mathewson, jun. Captain,
John

John Hazard, Lieutenant,
Gardner T. Kinyon, Ensign.

Third Regiment in the County
of *Washington* :

South-Kingstown :

Senior Class Company :

Samuel Stanton, Captain,
Daniel Tefft, Lieutenant,
Isaac Sheldon, Ensign.

First Company :

Augustus Babcock, Captain,
John Greenman, Lieutenant,
Benjamin Seagar, Ensign.

Second Company :

Levi Totten, Captain,
Palmer Sheldon, Lieutenant,
Silas Clarke, Ensign.

Third Company :

Thomas Steadman, Captain,
Robert Hazard, Lieutenant,
Robert Babcock, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

John Watson, jun. Captain,
John L. Gardner, Lieutenant,
Richard Gardner, Ensign.

Richmond :

Senior Class Company :

John Woodmansee, Captain,
Benjamin Hoxlie, Lieutenant,
James Potter, Ensign.

First Company :

Edward T. Lillibridge, Captain,
Silas Kinyon, Lieutenant,
Benjamin Barber, Ensign.

Second Company :

Thomas W. Kinyon, Captain,
Perry Clarke, Lieutenant,
Rowse Clarke, Ensign.

Fourth Regiment in the County
of *Providence* :

Glocester :

Senior Class Company :

Seth Hunt, Captain,
Eliakim Phettiplace, Lieutenant,
Nathan Cooper, Ensign.

First Company :

Thomas Winsor, Captain,
William Wheeler, Lieutenant,
William Hawkins, jun. Ensign.

Second Company :

Afa Ballou, Captain,
William Lapham, Lieutenant.

Third Company :

James Potter, Captain,
Isaac Wade, Lieutenant,
Stephen Cowing, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Pitts Smith, Captain,
Daniel Sayles, Lieutenant,
Ezekiel Emerson, Ensign.

Fifth Company :

Jabez Arnold, Captain,
Ezekiel Killy, Lieutenant,
James Reynolds, Ensign.

Sixth Company :

Benedict Burlingame, jun. Capt.
Efek Brown, Lieutenant,
Benjamin Harris, Ensign.

Fifth Regiment in the County
of *Providence* :

Foster :

Senior Class Company :

Isaac Blanchard, Captain,
Joseph Davis, Lieutenant,
Samuel Perkins, Ensign.

First Company :

Thomas Parker, jun. Captain,
George Baker, jun. Lieutenant,
Southward Griffith, Ensign.

Second Company :

Simeon Seamans, Captain.,
Stephen Davis, Lieutenant,
William Davis, Ensign.

Third Company :

Abraham Phillips, Captain,
Asher Bennett, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Stone, Ensign.

Fourth Company :

Levi Rounds, Captain,
Nicholas Potter, Lieutenant,
John Eddy, Ensign.

Sixth

Sixth Regiment in the County
of Providence :

Cranston :

Senior Class Company :

John Randall, jun. Captain,
Elisha Williams, Lieutenant,
Edward Stafford, Ensign.

First Company :

Hopkins Hudson, Captain,
Pardon Sheldon, Lieutenant,
Samuel Joy, Ensign.

Second Company :

Christopher Waterman, Captain,

Joseph Williams, Lieutenant,
George Field, Ensign.

Third Company :

Jonathan Knight, Captain,
Henry Whitman, Lieutenant,
Rhodes Fenner, Ensign.

Johnston :

Senior Class Company :

Israel Angell, Captain,
Jonathan Patt, Lieutenant,
John Viall, Ensign.

First Company :

Peter Briggs, Captain,
Joseph Alverton, Lieutenant,
Laban Latham, Ensign.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Second and Fourth Companies of Infantry in the Town of *Johnston* be united ; and that they form one Company, by the Name of the Second Company.

BOTH Houses being again resolved into a Grand Committee proceeded upon the Election, and chose

Johnston :

Second Company :

William Spears, Captain,
John Sweet, Lieutenant,
John Paine, Ensign.

Third Company :

Caleb Remington, Captain,
Samuel Randall, Lieutenant,
Daniel Mann, Ensign.

THE following Return was made to his Excellency the Governor, *North-Kings-*
and the Council, of the Officers elected by the Independent Com- *town Rangers.*
pany called *The North-Kingstown Rangers*, who approve the Choice,
to wit :

Beriab Waite, Captain,
Gardner Reynolds, First Lieut.

Beriab Brown, jun. Second Lieut.
Gardner Browning, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent *Cranston*
Company called *The Cranston Blues*, was made to his Excellency *Blues.*
the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit :*

Caleb Williams, Captain,
Joseph Burton, First Lieutenant,

Pardon Potter, Second Lieut.
Andrew Potter, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent *Glocester Gre-*
Company called *The Glocester Grenadiers*, was made to his Excel- *nadiers.*
lency the Governor and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit :*

Joſtan Putnam, Captain,
Elisha Mitchell, First Lieutenant,

John Wood, Second Lieutenant,
George Shearman, Ensign.

*Scituate
Hunters.*

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Scituate Hunters*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Benjamin Boss, jun. Captain, | *Stephen Young*, Second Lieut.
Elisba Mathewson, First Lieut. | *Richard Rhodes*, Ensign.

*Newport Ar-
tillery Com-
pany.*

THE following Return of Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Newport Artillery Company*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Francis Malbone, Captain, | *Walter Channing*, Second Lieut.
Benjamin Fry, First Lieutenant, | *Joseph Boss*, jun. Ensign.

*Washington
Independent
Company.*

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Washington Independent Company*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Daniel Sunderlin, jun. Captain, | *Benjamin Greene*, jun. Second Lt.
Willett Gardner, First Lieutenant, | *Phineas Reynolds*, Ensign.

*Newport
Guards.*

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Newport Guards*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

Wing Spooner, Captain, | *Peleg Kaighn*, Second Lieutenant,
John Yeamans, First Lieutenant, | *John Spooner*, Ensign.

*Providence
Light Infant-
ry.*

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Providence Light Infantry*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

John Whipple, Captain, | *Christopher Hill*, Second Lieut.
Seril Dodge, First Lieutenant, | *Jeremiah B. Howell*, Ensign.

*Coventry
Rangers.*

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Coventry Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

John M'Gregor, Captain, | *William Waterman*, Second Lieut.
Job Greene, jun. First Lieutenant, | *John Bowen*, Ensign.

*Glocester
Light In-
fantry.*

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Glocester Light Infantry*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* :

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Elijah Armstrong, Captain, | *Joseph Steere*, Second Lieutenant,
Benjamin Hawkins, First Lieut. | *Oliver Armstrong*, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The United Train of Artillery in Providence*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* : *United Train of Artillery in Providence.*

Daniel Tillinghast, Colonel, | *Gershom Jones*, Major,
Robert Taylor, Lieut. Colonel, | *Nathan Fisher*, Captain,
| *John Carlile*, jun. Lieutenant.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Kingstown Reds*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* : *Kingstown Reds.*

John Waite, Captain, | *Benedict Eldred*, Second Lieut.
Gideon Babcock, First Lieutenant, | *Sands Perkins*, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Johnston Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* : *Johnston Rangers.*

Nebemiah Hawkins, Captain, | *John M^cDonald*, Second Lieutenant,
Robert Thornton, First Lieut. | *Christopher Brown*, Ensign.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Washington Troop of Horse*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* : *Washington Troop of Horse.*

Rowland Brown, Captain, | *Jeremiah N. Potter*, Second Lieut.
Samuel E. Gardner, First Lieut. | *Thomas H. Hazard*, Cornet.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company called *The Kentish Troop*, was made to his Excellency the Governor, and the Council, who approve the Choice, *to wit* : *Kentish Troop.*

Preserved Hall, Captain, | *Westcot Stone*, Second Lieutenant,
John Arnold, First Lieutenant, | *Benjamin Nichols*, Cornet.

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made to this Assembly, that several Citizens of the United States are illegally detained on board the British Sloop of War the *Nautilus*, commanded by *H. W. Baynton*, now riding at Anchor in the Road of *Newport*, within this State : *Com. to go onboard the Nautilus and enquire for American Seamen.*

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the said *H. W. Baynton*, and the Lieutenant of the said Sloop of War, who are now on Shore,
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remain there until Investigation of the Subject of the said Complaint be had before the Judicial Authority of this State and District :—To effect which Purpose,

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That, on Condition the said *H. W. Baynton* consent thereto, Messrs. *Henry Sberburne, John L. Bofs, Samuel Wardwell, Christopher Ellery*, and *William Davis*, be a Committee from this Assembly to go on board the said Sloop of War, with Mr. *Thomas W. Moore*, the *British* Vice-Consul for this State, and request of the Commanding-Officer on board an Examination of the Crew : That the said Committee report to the Judicial Authority of this State and District the Names of the Citizens of the United States there detained, if any such are on board : And that the said Judicial Authority take Examination of the Places of the Birth and Residence of such Citizens, and enlarge those who on such Examination shall be found to be Citizens of any of the United States.

Com. to deliver the Records of the Superior Court, &c. in the County of *Newport*, to the present Clerk.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *Simeon Martin*, and *Christopher Fowler*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive of *John Grelea*, Esq. late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery within and for the County of *Newport*, the Books of Record, Seal, Files of Papers, and all other Things, belonging to the said Office, and deliver them to *Christopher Ellery*, Esq. the present Clerk of the said Court ; giving and taking Receipts for the same.



Name of the Episcopal Church in *Providence* altered.

WHEREAS *John Smith*, of *Providence*, in the County of *Providence*, Esquire, at the Request and in Behalf of the Minister, Church-Wardens, Vestry, and Congregation of the Episcopal Church in *Providence*, aforesaid, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that the said Church was founded in the Reign of *George*, the First, then King of *Great-Britain*, of blessed Memory, who reigned over the then Colonies of *Great-Britain*, with Justice and paternal Regard. That in Consequence thereof the Proprietors of the said Church, from the purest Motives of Gratitude and Affection, named it *King's Church* : But that the Conduct of the present King of *Great-Britain*, and of the People thereof, hath since been so totally different, that the Citizens of the United States have been under the Necessity of declaring themselves Independent, and of renouncing Monarchy in all its Forms : And that the said Minister, Church-Wardens, Vestry, and Congregation conceive the present Name of the said Church to be highly improper : And thereupon the said *John Smith*, in their Behalf, prayed that the said Name of *King's Church* may be abolished ; and that the said Church may be hereafter called and known by the Name of *St. John's Church, in Providence*.

ON due Consideration whereof,

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is Enacted, That the Prayer in the aforesaid Petition contained be and the same is hereby granted.



UPON the Application made to his Excellency the Governor, by *H. W. Baynton*, Commander of the *British* Sloop of War called the *Nautilus*, for a Supply of fresh Provisions, Bread, Water, Wood, and Shoes :

Com. to enquire what Provisions, &c. are on board the *Nautilus*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *Simeon Martin*, and *Samuel Wardwell*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to request of *Thomas W. Moore*, the *British* Vice-Consul for this State, an Account of the Quantities of the aforesaid Articles now actually on board the said Sloop of War, together with the Number of her Men.

WHEREAS this Assembly at the Session in *February* last empowered the General-Treasurer to sell all the Right and Title of the State to the real Estate late belonging to Mr. *Abel Bennett*, of *Coventry*, and to take Security for the Payment of the Money it should be sold for, but did not direct at what Time the Payment should be made :

And directing the Manner of taking Security for *Abel Bennett's* Estate.

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer take Security for the Payment of the said Money, in four different annual Payments, with Interest from the Date of the said Securities to be likewise paid annually.

UPON the Application of *H. W. Baynton*, Commander of the *British* Sloop of War the *Nautilus*, for Permission to purchase the necessary Supplies to enable him to proceed with the said Sloop of War to her destined Port :

Supplies granted to the *Nautilus*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to cause the said Ship to be supplied with Four or Five Thousand Pounds Weight of Bread, Five Hundred and Sixty Pounds Weight of fresh Beef and Veal, and One Hundred and Fifty Pair of Shoes ; with such Precautions and under such Directions as he shall think proper.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Judicial Authority of this State and District be and they are hereby requested to prepare a Statement of the Case of the Six *American* Seamen, illegally detained on board the *British* Sloop of War, the *Nautilus*, *H. W. Baynton*, Commander, and to report the same to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Judges to report the Proceedings respecting the *American* Seamen detained on board the *Nautilus*.



WHEREAS

Amendment
of the Militia
Act.

WHEREAS in the Act organizing the Militia of this State, passed at the last Session of this Assembly, it is Enacted, that the military Officers chosen should hold their Commissions and continue in Office Twelve Months from the Time of their Election : And whereas Officers, as well military as civil, are frequently chosen at other Sessions than at the General Election, and that Clause in the said Act will tend to introduce Confusion, and render it difficult to ascertain when Offices are vacant :

Be it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said Act be amended ; and that all Officers, as well military as civil, chosen at the annual General Election, or at any of the following Sessions, shall continue in Office until the next succeeding General Election, and no longer, any Thing in the said Act to the contrary notwithstanding.



Petition for
turning
Pawcatuck
River further
referred.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of the Town of Charlestown, praying that a Branch of Pawcatuck River may be turned into the great Salt-Pond, lying principally in Charlestown, and partly in South-Kingstown, be further referred to the next Session : That the Fourth Day of the said next Session, be appointed for the hearing thereof : And that all Persons concerned, be notified, by an Advertisement in the Newport News-Paper, to appear then and shew Cause, if any they may have, why the Prayer of the said Petition should not be granted.

Grant of
Powder and
Lead to the
two Independent
Companies
in Newport.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Two Hundred Pounds of Powder, and One Hundred Weight of Lead, be granted to each of the Independent Companies in the Town of Newport, to wit : The Artillery Company and the Newport Guards ; to be used for the Defence of the Town, the support of the civil Authority, under the Direction thereof, and upon public Occasions ; And that the Commanding-Officers of the said Companies respectively purchase the same, and lay their Accounts of the Expence thereof before this Assembly at the next Session.

V. Gardner
allowed £7
10s. 6d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Seven Pounds Ten Shillings and Six Pence be allowed and paid to Mr. Vincent Gardiner, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, to the 7th Day of April last, for boarding and providing Cloaths for Rutter Gardiner, a State Pauper.

J. Smith al-
lowed £ 13
7s. 1d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Thirteen Pounds Seven Shillings and a Penny, be allowed and paid to John Smith, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for Repairs made on the State-House, in the County of Providence.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Two Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jonathan Almy*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for the Rent for Six Months (to the 30th Day of *April* last) of One Third of a Lot of Land, and House thereon in *Newport*, being the Dower of Mrs. *Freelove Eldred*. *J. Almy* allowed £2 2s.

THIS Assembly being informed that there is in the Powder-House at *Providence* a Quantity of Musket Cartridges, belonging to the State, in a damaged Condition: Gov. to take Care of Cartridges belonging to the State.

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be requested to cause an Account of them to be taken, and the same to be examined; and to do the best he can with them for the Benefit of the State.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Forty-five Pounds* be granted and paid to *Henry Ward*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, on Account of his Services as Secretary, since *August*, A. D. 1792; and that he account for the same to this Assembly at the next Session. Grant to *H. Ward*, £45.

UPON the Petition of *Benjamin Smith*, of *Middletown*, representing to this Assembly, that he some Time since tendered a Sum of Money in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge a Note of Hand by him made to the Executors of *Ebenezer Vose*, deceased, which being refused was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since discharged the said Debt in another Manner; and praying that the Money so lodged may be restored to him: Grant of forfeited Money to *B. Smith*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Benjamin Smith* be empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein upon the above-mentioned Account.

UPON the Petition of *Benjamin Reynolds*, of *Newport*, Yeoman, representing to this Assembly, that in *May*, A. D. 1789, he tendered a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to *John Nichols*, of *South-Kingstown*, Taylor, to discharge a Note the said *John Nichols* held against him, which being refused was lodged in the General-Treasury; and that he hath since paid the said Debt in another Manner; and praying that the Money so lodged may be restored to him: Grant of forfeited Money to *B. Reynolds*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Benjamin Reynolds* be empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein upon the above-mentioned Account.

Part of the
River Ma-
chine Act sus-
pended.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That so much of an Act of this Assembly entitled " An Act to incorporate certain Persons by the Name of the *River Machine Company*, in the Town of *Providence*, and for other Purposes herein mentioned," as relates to licensed Coasting Vessels under One Hundred Tons, be suspended until the next Session of this Assembly.

Com. ref-
pecting *Paw-*
tuxet Bridge.

UPON the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants of the Towns of *Warwick* and *Cranston*, representing that the Bridge at *Pawtuxet*, between the said Towns, is in a very decayed, ruinous and dangerous State; and praying that a Grant may be made out of the General-Treasury of a Sum of Money sufficient to put the said Bridge in a passable and safe Condition:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *Samuel Wardwell*, *Joshua Bicknall*, and *John Smith*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to view the said Bridge, and consider of the Proportion in which the said Towns of *Warwick* and *Cranston* ought to repair and maintain the same: And that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Com. on the
Gaol in the
County of
Kent.

UPON the Report of Messrs. *George Thomas*, *William Greene*, and *Daniel Updike*, who were appointed a Committee to examine the Condition of the State-House and Gaol in the County of *Kent*:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *George Thomas*, *William Greene*, and *Daniel Updike*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to ascertain the Sum for which a suitable Lot, whereon a new Gaol may be erected, can be purchased, to make an Estimate of the Expence of building the same, and to prepare a Plan thereof: And that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

State of the
Grand Com-
mittee's Of-
fice.

WHAT follows was presented unto this Assembly, *to wit*

Present State of the Grand Committee's Office.

1793 Jan. 29.	}	Delivered the Committee appointed by the Hon. General Assembly to burn Paper- Money,	£. 45846	7
1794 Feb. 14.		}	Delivered the Committee appointed as a- fore said,	6624
			Received into the Office in Paper Money, since <i>February</i> 14th, 1794,	576
		Received in Specie, £. 28 10 6 $\frac{1}{4}$ which, at 15 for 1, is	427	16 6
			<hr/>	
		Amount of Securities taken up,	£. 53475	2 3
		The Two last mentioned Sums received are now in the Office.		

Amount

Amount of the Securities remaining in the Office,	<u>£. 43133 12 4$\frac{1}{4}$</u>
	<u>£. 96608 14 7$\frac{1}{4}$</u>
The whole Amount of Money loaned,	<u>£. 96608 14 7$\frac{1}{4}$</u>

I hereby certify, that the above Statement shews the true State of the Grand Committee's Office at this Time.

Thomas Rumrell, Keeper of the said Office.

On Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Thomas Rumrell* be directed to pay into the General-Treasury, the said Sum of *Twenty-eight Pounds Ten Shillings and Six Pence Three Farthings* in Specie, that he receive out of the General-Treasury the aforesaid Sum in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange : And that *George Champlin*, Esq. be, and he is hereby appointed to assist in the Transaction of the said Business.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *David Martin*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; and that (agreeably to the Report of a Committee appointed by the Lower-House) the same be in full Discharge of his Account for setting Glafs in the State-House at *Providence*.

D. Martin
allowed £ 2
18s. 8d.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *Elisba R. Potter*, *William Greene*, and *George Thomas*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee to enquire into the State of the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, and consider what Allowance ought to be made to him for his Services : And that they make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

Com. to con-
sider the Al-
lowance to be
made to *T.*
Rumrell.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Act of this Assembly passed at the Session held in *October* last, for the Relief of the *French* Exiles from *St. Domingo*, and other *French* West-India Islands, be continued in Force until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session : *Provided* (agreeably to the Act of Congress for the Relief of *French* Exiles) that no Supplies, at the Expence of the State, be afforded to any but such only as came from the said Island of *St. Domingo*.

Act for sup-
plying the
French Exiles
continued.



WHEREAS

And postponing the Sitting of the Court of C. Pleas in the County of Providence.

WHEREAS the Time appointed by Law for holding the next Term of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Providence, will happen at the same Time that the Circuit Court of the United States is to sit within this State ; and great Inconveniences will arise therefrom, unless a Remedy be provided :

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said Term of the Court of Common Pleas be postponed until the Third Monday in August next : That all Writs returnable to the said Court be served Twenty Days, Declarations filed Twelve Days, and Answers Six Days, before the Sitting of said Court, to be holden on the said Third Monday in August : And that all Executions, Returns of Jurors, and all other Matters whatsoever returnable to the Term of the said Court, which was to have been holden on the Third Monday in June next, be returnable to the Term to be holden pursuant to this Act.



J. Richardson allowed 7s. 8d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Seven Shillings and Eight Pence be allowed and paid to Jacob Richardson, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for binding Books for the General-Treasurer's Office, and the Postage of a public Letter.

T. Tew allowed £1 8s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Eight Shillings be allowed and paid to Mr. Thomas Tew, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of Newport, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for Repairs made on the said Gaol.

J. Brown's Petition referred.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of Mr. John Brown, praying for an Allowance upon Account of the Estate by him purchased of the State, which lately belonged to George Rome, be referred to the next Session.

Report of the General-Treasurer.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit* :

THE General-Treasurer respectfully presents to the Honorable Legislature, the following Account of the Towns which are deficient in the Payment of the State Tax, assessed in June, A. D. 1793, exclusive of the Interest, *to wit* :

Portsmouth,	—	£. 18	3	0
Jamestown,	—	17	7	8
Little-Compton,	—	3	18	4½
New-Sbareham,	—	17	13	9
Tiverton,	—	36	18	8½
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		£.	94	1 6
		Foster,		

<i>Foster,</i>	—		£. 0 17 7
<i>South-Kingstown,</i>	—	£. 210 9 10	
<i>Charlestown,</i>	—	70 10 2	
<i>Richmond,</i>	—	55 17 2½	
<i>Hopkinton,</i>	—	4 0 5	
<i>Exeter,</i>	—	39 16 10	
		<hr/>	380 14 5½
<i>East-Greenwich,</i>	—	£. 113 13 6	
<i>West-Greenwich,</i>	—	28 12 11	
		<hr/>	142 6 5
		<hr/>	£. 617 19 11½

The General-Treasurer requests the Honorable Assembly to appoint a Committee to audit his Accounts, that Report may be made thereon at the next Session.

Which is submitted by

HENRY SHERBURNE, General-Treasurer.

Newport, May 10, 1794.

WHICH being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be, and the same is hereby accepted: That Messrs. *George Champlin* and *Christopher Fowler*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to adjust the Accounts of the General-Treasurer with the State; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *Charles Lippitt*, *Caleb Greene*, and *Charles Wheaton*, be, and they are hereby appointed, a Committee to confer with the several Printers in the State; and that they ascertain the lowest Terms on which the Printing Business of the State can be done.

Com. to confer with the Printers.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *James Helme*, Esq. be, and he is hereby appointed to complete the State House, in the County of *Washington*; and that Messrs. *Eliza R. Potter*, *George Thomas*, and *Jonathan Maxson*, be appointed a Committee to consult and advise with him in what Manner it shall be finished.

State-House in S. Kingstown to be finished.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, to the End that the said State-House may be finished as soon as may be, that the Sum of *One Hundred and Fifty Pounds* be paid to the said *James Helme*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that he account to this Assembly for the due Appropriation of the Money.

Grant for Washington State-House £ 150.

J. Wanton
and *J. Carr*
allowed £52
4s.

WHEREAS *Thomas G. Hazard*, Esq. and *Mr. Caleb Greene*, who were appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of Messrs. *John Wanton* and *John Carr*, for the Expence of keeping a Watch upon *Goat-Island*, to prevent the Introduction of the malignant Distemper which lately prevailed at *Philadelphia*, and for the Hire of a Boat and two Hands for the same Purpose, presented unto the Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers have carefully examined the above Account, and find that the Sum of *Fifty-two Pounds Four Shillings*, Specie, is justly due thereon to the said *John Wanton* and *John Carr*.

WHICH is submitted by

THOMAS G. HAZARD, } Committee.
CALEB GREENE,

WHICH being duly considered,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Fifty-two Pounds Four Shillings* be allowed and paid to the said *John Wanton* and *John Carr*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same shall be in full Discharge of the said Account.

Carter and
Wilkinson al-
lowed £ 19
0s. 4½d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Nineteen Pounds and Four Pence Halfpenny* be allowed and paid to Messrs. *Carter* and *Wilkinson*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of their Account for printing done for the Public to the present Time, and for Paper to print the Schedule of *March Session* upon.

J. Richards
allowed £ 1
2s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Two Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Richards*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session as a Waiter.

T. Melvill
allowed £ 1
2s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Two Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Melvill*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

J. Tew al-
lowed £ 1
2s. 6.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Two Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *James Tew*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State,
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at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly at the present Session, as a Waiter.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Four Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Samuel Eddy*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House, and for Paper and Quills by him provided. S. Eddy allowed £3 4s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Five Pounds Two Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to *Mr. Henry Barber*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for printing done for the State, to the present Time. H Barber allowed £5 2s. 6d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Three Shillings and Eight Pence Halfpenny* be allowed and paid to *Mr. Thomas Tew*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter, &c. T. Tew allowed £1 3s. 8d.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Hundred and Twenty Pounds* be allowed to his Excellency the Governor, and *Sixty Pounds* to his Honor the Deputy Governor, for their Services in those Stations the Year past; and that the same be paid them out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange. Gov. allowed £120.
Dep. Gov. £60.

IT Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *Charles Lippitt* and *Nicholas Easton*, be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to receive from *Samuel Eddy*, Esq. the late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Court of Assize, and General Gaol-Delivery, within and for the County of *Providence*, the Books of Record, Files of Papers, Seal, and all other Things belonging to that Office, and deliver them to *William Barton*, jun. Esq. the present Clerk of the said Court, giving and taking Receipts for the same. Com. to deliver the Records, &c. of the Superior Court in the County of Providence to the present Clerk.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed to issue Executions within Twenty Days after the Rising of this Assembly, against the Town-Treasurers of the several Towns in the State, which have not paid into the General-Treasury, their Proportions of the State Tax, assessed by this Assembly, at the Session in *June*, A. D. 1793, for the Sums due from the said Towns respectively. Gen. Treasurer to issue Executions against the delinquent Towns.

Report of
the Judicial
Authority
respecting
the *Ameri-*
cans detain-
ed on board
the *Nautilus*.

The following Report was presented to this Assembly by the Judicial Authority of this State and District, *to wit* :

A Statement of Facts in the Case of the Six *American* Sailors, illegally detained on board the *British* Sloop of War, the *Nautilus*, *H. W. Baynton*, Commander.

ON the Eighth Day of May, A. D. 1794, the said Ship arrived in the Harbour or Port of *Newport*, in the State of *Rhode-Island*, and *Providence-Plantations*. On the same Day, the Commander of the said Ship made Application to the General Assembly of the said State, then in Session at *Newport*, aforesaid, for Liberty to purchase Supplies of Provisions for the People on board of her. The General Assembly immediately took the Application into Consideration, but during the Progress of that Business, they were informed there were Thirteen *American* Citizens, detained on board the said Ship gainst their Consent, Three of which had been impressed in the *West-Indies* ; and that great Anxiety was occasioned thereby in the Minds of the People. The General Assembly immediately proceeded to Measures for investigating the Facts, and sent a Message to Captain *Baynton*, then on Shore, requesting his Attendance before them. The Captain immediately attended with his Lieutenant. The Assembly also requested all the Judges of the Superior Court, being then present, together with the Judge of the District Court, to confer with the said Officers on the Subject ; to acquaint them with the Information they had received, the Uneasiness it had occasioned, and of their Expectation, that if there were any *American* Citizens on board their Ship, they would be immediately released ; and if refused to advise the General Assembly of the Measures that might be legally pursued, to obtain the Discharge of the *Americans* so detained. The Judges accordingly met the said Officers in the Council Chamber, where the said Officers with Mr. *Thomas W. Moore*, the *British* Vice-Consul, were waiting upon the Request of the General Assembly. The Judges acquainted them with the Information which had been received, and expressed their Wishes that they would afford the fullest Satisfaction with Regard to the Facts. The Captain declared there were none on board of that Description, at least within his Knowledge, and so declared the Lieutenant : The Captain added, that he did not choose to take such Seamen on board, that he never pressed such, and requested their Names. The Judges told him they were not able to give their Names. He appeared altogether to doubt the Fact. Hereupon *John Carr*, Gunner of the Fort, was called upon, who, on solemn Oath declared, that he enquired of One of the Ship's Barge-Men if there were any *Americans* on board the said Ship, who answered that there were Thirteen, Ten of which had voluntarily entered on board, and that the Three others had been pressed. The Captain still appeared to disbelieve the Matter. It was then proposed to him, that, to satisfy himself and the Authority, he would permit a Gentleman

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or Two, with himself, or his Lieutenant, to go on board, and there make the necessary Enquiry : That if there should be *American* Citizens on board, it was presumed he would not hesitate to discharge them ; if there were none, the public Mind would be at Ease, and mutual Confidence would be restored. He agreed to the Propriety of dismissing such, if on board, and at first agreed to the Proposal, but on something being dropped by the Vice-Consul, *to wit* : “ The Ship to be searched”, he withdrew his Assent, and declared he could by no Means consent to the Proposition. Much Argument was used to convince him of the Propriety of it, or that he ought to point out some Way to come at the Truth, but to no Purpose ; he thought his Word sufficient : It was observed to him, that it was not presumed he would undertake positively to deny the Fact, since the Information came from his own People, and it was not probable he could be certain of the Fact. He replied, that he would not say positively, but he was very confident there were none such, and that the Information was groundless. It was observed to him, that he must be sensible that Kind of Argument would give no Satisfaction ; it was wished to conduct towards him with the utmost Candour, and that he would exhibit the same : It was highly reasonable that the Authority should be satisfied : It was presumed that the *British* Government would upon a like Occasion shew the same Sollicitude for the Relief of their Subjects, and were possessed of sufficient Spirit to obtain entire Satisfaction ; that he must expect it would be exerted here if we were reduced to the Necessity ; but it was still to be wished he would obviate that Necessity by a ready Compliance with the Proposition, or by proposing something equally satisfactory. He replied, he could do nothing further, was surprised at being thus called upon this Business, asked if he was a Prisoner, and appeared to be going out of the Room : He was told he was not a Prisoner, and that no Measure of that Kind had been taken. It was proposed that the Judges would leave the Room to the Officers, with the Vice-Consul, in order that, as much had been said, they might further deliberate on the Matter, and consult what might conduce most to a fair and just Settlement of the Business. This was refused, and the Captain and Lieutenant, both against the Advice of the Judges, burst out of the Room, but instantly returned, declaring they were stopped by the People in the Lobby, who were there in great Numbers, and that they were under Apprehension of Danger. The Lieutenant said he was kicked. It was asked him with Earnestness “ was you kicked ?” He answered “ No, but what was next to it, he was jammed up.” They were desired to be composed and sit down ; it was wished they had taken Advice, for while with the Judges they should be protected. The Captain again declared that he could not comply with the Proposal made, or give further Satisfaction than he had, as to the *Americans* said to be on board his Ship. Information was then given to the General Assembly of the Proceedings had thus far : When they passed the following Resolution, *to wit* : *

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See Page 17, for this Resolve.

THE Officers were informed of this A& of the General Assembly, and soon after a Conversation more cool and candid, took Place. The Captain consented that the Committee appointed by the Assembly, might go on board his Ship; the Vice-Consul agreed to go with them; and the Captain sent a Letter (which he first shewed the Judges) to the commanding Officer on board, directing him to give the Committee all the Satisfaction in his Power as to there being any *Americans* on board. The Committee proceeded on board, with the Vice-Consul, and were received with the utmost Politeness. The Books and Lists of Men were shewn; and the People called upon to declare whether there were any *Americans* unwilling to remain on board. Six appeared, as by the following Copy, taken by the Committee from the Shipping-Book itself, and by their own Declaration, to be *Americans, to wit* :

John M'Carthy,—Martha's Vineyard, Entry, June 27th, 1793.

John Johnston,—Charleston (S. C.) Entry, December 17th, 1793.

Nicholas Martin,—Boston, Entry, February 16th, 1794.

Anthony Dwyer,—Georgetown (S. C.) Entry, June 14th, 1793.

Samuel Brown,—Portsmouth (Vir.) Entry, December 2d, 1793.

William Denning,—New-City (N. Y.) Entry, April, 1794.

THE above is a true Copy of the Extract from the Books of the *British Sloop of War the Nautilus*, now riding in the Harbour of *Newport*, by the Subscribers who were appointed by the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of *Rhode-Island, and Providence-Plantations*, a Committee for the Purpose of determining the Number of *Americans* on board the said Sloop of War, and which was reported on the Eighth Day of *May*, in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-four, to the said Honorable Body, by

HENRY SHERBURNE,
JOHN L. BOSS,
SAMUEL WARDWELL,
CHRISTOPHER ELLERY,
WILLIAM DAVIS.

N. B. THE Entries appeared to be made by some Officer of the Ship, and no Signature of the Sailors.

THE Captain, upon Inspection of the Report, immediately declared that he was surpris'd; that Four of them he now believed were *Americans*, but, however, he was willing the Six should be brought on Shore; and that as many as were *Americans*, he would immediately discharge. His Barge went again on board with his written Orders, as follows, *to wit* :

Dear

May, 1794.

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Dear Mr. Innarbeny,

Send the Six Men on Shore to be examined immediately.

Yours, &c.

H. W. Baynton.

John M'Carthy,
John Johnson,
Nicholas Martin,
Anthony Dwyer,
Samuel Brown,
William Denning.

Mr. Thomas to come on Shore to take Care of the Boat, and not to leave her.

THE Six Sailors were soon brought on Shore. The Officers were convinced that they were all *Americans*; and the Captain agreed that they might go where they pleased, and that in the Morning he would send their Cloathing on Shore, give them written Discharges, and Certificates for their Wages, and the Vice-Consul freely offered to take them, and give the Sailors the Money for them. Whereupon entire good Humour appeared to be fully restored; and the Officers with the Vice-Consul retired.

In the Morning the Captain sent an Officer on Shore, who fully completed the Business agreeably to the Captain's Agreement. The Certificates were in the following Form, *to wit*:

THESE are to certify the Honorable the Principal Officers and Commissioners of his Majesty's Navy, that *Samuel Brown* served as able Seaman, on board his Majesty's Sloop *Nautilus*, under my Command, from the 2d Day of *December*, 1793, to the Date hereof, when he was discharged; he being a Subject of the *United States of America*; and that there hath been charged against him on the Ship's Books, the Sum of *Two Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight Pence*.

GIVEN under my Hand, on board the said Sloop, at *Newport, Rhode-Island*, the 9th Day of *May*, 1794.

H. W. BAYNTON.

Navy Slops,	£. 1 19 10	
Beds,	12 6	
Tobacco,	6 4	
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	£. 2 18 8	Wages due, £. 3 2 8

THE

May, 1794.

THE whole Amount of the Wages due to the Sailors, as adjusted by the Captain, and agreed to by the Sailors, was £. 29 9 1 Sterling.

THE foregoing Statement, made at the Request of the General Assembly, is humbly submitted by the Judges of the Superior Court; and the Judge of the District Court.

Newport, May 10th, 1794.

DANIEL OWEN, Chief,	} Judge of the Superior Court.
WILLIAM TAGGART, Assistant,	
WALTER COOKE, Assistant,	
JOSHUA BICKNALL, Assistant,	
THOMAS TILLINGHAST, Assistant,	

HENRY MARCHANT, Judge of the District Court in and for Rhode-Island District.

ON Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that his Excellency the Governor be, and he is hereby requested to transmit a Copy thereof to the Secretary of State of the United States, as soon as may be.

Act respect-
ing Petitions
upon the Re-
ception
Docket.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petitions lodged for Reception, upon the Files of the Clerk of the Lower House, be heard for Reception, before any which may be hereafter lodged in the Secretary's Office be tried: That all Proceedings upon the Petitions so lodged for Reception, praying for the staying of Proceedings, on Judgments of Court or Executions be stayed, until they shall be heard for Reception: And that such of the said Petitioners as are imprisoned, shall be liberated from Gaol, until the Rising of this Assembly, at the next Session, upon their giving Bonds, to the Satisfaction of the Sheriff of the County where they stand committed, to return to Prison if their Petitions shall be rejected or not granted.

Petition of
the Fourth
Baptist
Church in
Newport re-
ferred.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Petition of the Fourth Baptist Church in Newport, praying that they may be quieted in the Possession of a Lot of Land in Newport, by them heretofore purchased, the Deed and Record of which have been lost or defaced, be referred to the next Session of this Assembly.

Officers con-
tinued.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Officers who have not been re-appointed, and in whose Places others have not been elected, be, and they are hereby continued in their several Offices until the Rising of this Assembly, at the next Session, with the same Power and Authority they, in Virtue of their last Appointments, respectively had.

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May, 1794.

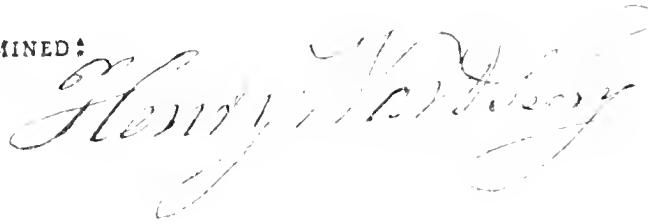
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IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished be, and the same is hereby referred to the next Session : That the Secretary publish and transmit to the several Towns in the usual Manner, Copies of the Acts and Orders now made and passed : And that this Assembly be, and the same is hereby adjourned to the Second *Monday* in *June* next, then to convene in the State-House in *Newport*. Adjourn-
ment.

GOD save the United States of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED:

W I T N E S S,



June, 1794.

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At the General Assembly of the Governor
and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*,
and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and hol-
den, by Adjournment, at *Newport*, within
and for the State aforesaid, on the Second
Monday in *June*, in the Year of our Lord
One Thousand Seven Hundred and Ninety-
four, and in the Eighteenth Year of Inde-
pendence.

P R E S E N T,

HIS EXCELLENCY

ARTHUR FENNER, ESQUIRE,
GOVERNOR.

THE HONORABLE

SAMUEL J. POTTER, *Esq. Deputy-Governor.*

THOMAS G. HAZARD, <i>Esq.</i>	}	ASSISTANTS.
PELEG ARNOLD, <i>Esq.</i>		
JONATHAN COMSTOCK, <i>Esq.</i>		
CALEB GARDNER, <i>Esq.</i>		
JOHN COOKE, <i>Esq.</i>		
JAMES CONGDON, <i>Esq.</i>		
THOMAS HOXSIE, <i>Esq.</i>		
GEORGE BROWN, <i>Esq.</i>		
JOB WATSON, <i>Esq.</i>		
JOHN HARRIS, <i>Esq.</i>		

THE SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

June, 1794.

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

The Honorable WELCOME ARNOLD, Esq. Speaker.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
Mr. Caleb Greene,
Mr. Nicholas Taylor,
Mr. John L. Bots,
Mr. Christopher Fowler,
 Simeon Martin, *Esq.*

PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Speaker,
 Charles Lippitt, *Esq.*
 John Smith, *Esq.*
Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *jun. Esq.*
 Tillinghast Almy, *Esq.*
Mr. Robert Lawton,
Mr. Thomas Potter.

WARWICK :

Moses Arnold, *Esq.*
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
Mr. Joseph Brown,
Mr. Stephen Greene (*Son of John*).

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*
 Rowse Babcock, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. Edward Sands,
Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas, *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Elisha R. Potter, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

Mr. William Greene (*Son of Benjamin*).
Mr. George Tillinghast.

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. John Weeden, *sen.*

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Paine,
Mr. Henry Jenckes.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*

GLOCESTER :

Samuel Winfor, *Esq.*
Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Robert Congdon,
Mr. Edward Wilcox.

WEST-GREENWICH :

Mr. Ishmael Nichols.

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq.*
 Joseph Mathewson, *Esq.*

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq.*

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. William Peckham,
Mr. Nicholas Easton.

BRISTOL :

Mr. Samuel Wardwell,
 Loring Peck, *Esq.*

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee, *Esq.*
 Abraham Barker, *Esq.*

LITTLE-COMPTON :

Mr. George Simmons,
Mr. Isaac Bailey.

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq.*

CUMBERLAND :

Mr. Jason Newell,
 Jotham Carpenter, *Esq.*

RICHMOND :

Mr. Samuel Larkin,
Mr. Jonathan Maxson.

CRANSTON :

William Warner, *Esq.*
 Caleb Williams, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*
Mr. William Waterman.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Stephen Jenckes, *jun. Esq.*

BARRINGTON :

Mr. Joseph C. Mauran,
 Josiah Humphry, *Esq.*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

SAMUEL EDDY, *Esq.* Clerk of the Lower-House.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, named the *Captain-General's Cavaliers*, was made to His Excellency the Governor, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

<i>Edward Manton</i> , Captain,		<i>Christopher Knight</i> , Cornet,
<i>Israel Manchester</i> , First Lieut.		<i>Jeremiah Manton</i> , Quarter-
<i>Calvin Deane</i> , Second Lieut.		Master.

Officers of
the *Captain-
General's
Cavaliers*.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, named the *Providence Troop of Light Dragoons*, was made to His Excellency the Governor, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

<i>Ephraim Bowen</i> , jun. Colonel,		<i>Josiah Giffard</i> , Captain,
<i>John Corlis</i> , Lieut. Colonel,		<i>Oliver Bowen</i> , jun. Lieut.
<i>David Mc. Lane</i> , Major,		<i>Henry Smith</i> , Cornet.

Officers of
the *Provi-
dence Light
Dragoons*.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thomas Russell*, Esq. be, and he is hereby, elected to the Office of Brigade-Inspector of the Brigade of Militia, of the Counties of *Newport* and *Bristol*.

T. Russell, B.
Inspector, for
the Brigade
in *Newport*
and *Bristol*.

THE following Return of the Officers elected by the Independent Company, named the *Pawtuxet Rangers*, was made to his Excellency the Governor and Council, who approved the Choice, *to wit* :

<i>Benjamin Arnold</i> , Captain,		<i>Caleb Corps</i> , Second Lieut.
<i>Israel Arnold</i> , First Lieut.		<i>Rhodes Greene</i> , Ensign.

Officers of
the *Pawtux-
et Rangers*.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof, it is hereby Enacted, That all Acts, heretofore passed repealing an Act, or any Clause thereof, entitled "An Act directing the Method of preferring Petitions unto the General Assembly, and of acting thereon," as passed in the Year 1766, be, and the same are hereby, repealed.

Act for lodg-
ing Petitions
in the Secre-
tary's Office.

AND whereas Doubts have been entertained whether lodging a Petition in the Secretary's Office, pursuant to the aforesaid Act passed in the Year 1766, caused Proceedings to be stayed, or not; from whence Inconveniences have heretofore arisen :

IT is therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a Petition's being lodged in the Secretary's Office shall not stay any Proceedings.

THE following Report was presented unto this Assembly, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers, the Committee appointed to receive from the late Clerk of the Superior Court, in the County of *Providence*, the Records, Seal, Files of Papers, and every other Thing appertaining to that Office, and to deliver them to the present Clerk of the said Court, beg leave to report, that we have received the abovementioned Articles from *Samuel Eddy*, Esq. the late, and delivered them to *William*

Report of the
Delivery of
the Records,
&c. of the Su-
perior Court,
in *Provi-
dence County*,

June, 1794.

to the present Clerk. *liam Barton, jun. Esq. the present Clerk ; and that we have given and taken Receipts for the same,*

CHARLES LIPPITT, } Committee.
NICHOLAS EASTON, }

Providence, June 4th, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted,

Treasurer's Note to be issued to *A. Smith.* *IT is Voted and Resolved,* That the General-Treasurer issue a new Note to Miss *Abigail Smith*, in Lieu of a Treasurer's Note presented by her to this Assembly, and delivered to him, in the same manner as new Notes have been heretofore given for other Notes of the same Description.

Treasurer's Note to be issued to *N. Hammett.* WHEREAS *Nathan Hammett*, the present Proprietor of the under-mentioned Notes, issued by the late General-Treasurer to *Susannah Hammett*, deceased, presented them to this General Assembly, and prayed that the General-Treasurer may be directed to give him a new Note therefor, *to wit :*

One dated <i>May 13th, 1765</i> , payable <i>May 1767,</i>		} £. 1 12 2	
with 5 per Cent. Interest,			
One <i>March 11th, 1765</i>	<i>Mar. 1767</i>	5 per Cent.	5 5 11
One <i>Nov. 1st, 1767</i>	<i>Nov. 1769</i>	6 per Cent.	8 8 0
One <i>March 11th, 1765</i>	<i>Mar. 1767</i>	5 per Cent.	11 3 9
One <i>May 13th, 1765</i>	<i>May 1767</i>	5 per Cent.	7 3 9
One <i>March 20th 1767</i>	<i>1769</i>	6 per Cent.	12 4 8
One <i>May 8th, 1767</i>	<i>1769</i>	6 per Cent.	3 15 0
One <i>May 8th, 1771</i>	<i>Jan. 1772</i>	6 per Cent.	4 4 0

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed to receive the aforesaid Notes, and to give his Note therefor to the aforesaid *Nathan Hammett*, in the same Manner as new Notes have been heretofore given for other Notes of the same Description.

As respecting
Petitions
upon the re-
ception Doc-
ket.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Petitions lodged with the Clerk of the Lower House of this Assembly, at former Sessions, for Reception, wherein there is an adverse Party, and a Prayer for the Stay of Executions (except Petitions for the Benefit of the Insolvent Act) be filed with the Secretary, if the Petitioners see fit, within Forty Days from the Rising of this Assembly : That in such Cases Bond be taken, and Citation issued, in the Manner prescribed by the Act, entitled "An Act directing the Method of preferring Petitions unto the General Assembly, and of acting thereon : " That on all such Petitions, for the Prosecution of which Bond shall be given as aforesaid, Proceedings be stayed agreeably to the Prayer of such Petitions, until the Rising of this Assembly at the next Session : And that

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that a Copy of this Act be inserted in the *Newport Mercury*, and in One of the *Providence Newspapers*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Messrs. *Clarke and Nightingale*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of their Account, for a Ream of Paper delivered for the Use of the Secretary's Office.

Clark and Nightingale allowed 18/.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit* :

Report upon the General Treasurer's Specie Account.

Dr. The State of *Rhode-Island's*, Specie Account with *Henry Sbetburne*, General-Treasurer.

1792,	To Cash paid, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 1, from Voucher No. 1 to Voucher No. 29, inclusive, File A.	£.208 16 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To Cash paid, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 2, from Voucher No. 30 to Voucher No. 60, inclusive, File B.	191 11 0 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To Cash paid, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 3, from Voucher No. 61 to Voucher No. 96, inclusive, File C.	870 5 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To Cash paid, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 11, from Voucher No. 97 to Voucher No. 134, inclusive, File D.	2559 9 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To Cash paid, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 12, from Voucher No. 135 to Voucher No. 169, inclusive, File E.	938 15 1 $\frac{1}{2}$
	To Cash paid, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 13, from Voucher No. 170 to Voucher No. 204, inclusive, File F.	921 1 6
	To Cash paid, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 14, from Voucher No. 205 to Voucher No. inclusive, File G.	1006 2 5 $\frac{1}{2}$
		<hr/> £.6696 1 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ <hr/>

Creditor.

1792,	} By Cash received of <i>George Champlin</i> , <i>Robert N. Auchmuty</i> , and <i>Christopher Fowler</i> , the State's Committee, being a Balance due from the late General-Treasurer, <i>Joseph Clarke</i> , Esq.	£.196 14 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Nov. 10.		
	By Cash received at divers Times, for Interest, from those Persons who have discharged their Mortgages for the Bills of Credit emitted in <i>May, A. D.</i> 1786, £.393 11 9, which in Specie at 15 for 1 is	26 4 9

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June, 1794.

1793, } Jan. 1. }	By Cash received of <i>Mary Tharston</i> , in Paper Bills, of the Emissions of the Years 1758, 1760, 1762, 1766, & 1767,	254	11	5
Feb. 19,	By Cash received of <i>William Channing</i> , Attorney-General, for the Balance of the State's Interest Bonds delivered him by the late General-Treasurer, to put in Suit, £. 74 15 0, in the Bills emitted in May, A. D. 1786, which at 15 for 1, is	4	19	8
	By Cash received of ditto, for Two Sets of Law-Books,	0	13	6
March 26,	By Cash received of <i>George Dawley</i> , Ad- ministrato[r] to the Estate of <i>Michael</i> <i>Dawley</i> , deceased, for a Balance due from the Town of <i>Exeter</i> of the State Tax, ordered in May, A. D. 1781, with Interest,	3	4	3
April 6,	By Cash received of <i>Benjamin Nichols</i> , Administrato[r] to the Estate of <i>William</i> <i>Nichols</i> , deceased, in Part of his Note,	10	16	0
May 13,	By Cash received of <i>Robert N. Auchmuty</i> , for Two Law-Books,	0	9	0
June 14,	By Cash received of <i>Benjamin Nichols</i> , Ad- ministrato[r] to the Estate of <i>William</i> <i>Nichols</i> , deceased, in full of his Note,	15	0	0
July 1,	By Cash received of <i>Jonathan Barber</i> , late Collector of Taxes for the Town of <i>Exeter</i> , in full for the Balance of the State Tax, ordered in November, A. D. 1780, with Interest,	10	0	8
	By Cash received of <i>Edward Perry</i> , late Collector of Interest Bonds for the County of <i>Washington</i> , for the Balance of his Account, £. 124 1 1½, Paper Money, which, at 15 for 1, is	8	5	4½
	By Cash received of the Inhabitants of the County of <i>Newport</i> , for the Interest due, for the Year 1792, on the Bills of Credit emitted in May, A. D. 1786, £. 240 2 6, Paper Money, which at 15 for 1, is	16	0	2
18,	By Cash received of <i>Daniel Shearman</i> , jun. late Collector of Taxes for the Town of <i>South-Kingstown</i> , in full for the Balance of the State Tax ordered in November, A. D. 1780, with Interest,	23	17	5½
	By Cash received of <i>Walter White</i> , late Collector of Taxes for the Town of <i>Westerly</i> , in full for the Balance of that Town's Proportion of the State Tax or- dered in June, A. D. 1791, with Interest,	25	5	6

Sept.

Sept. 16,	By Cash received of <i>Samuel Elam</i> , for Two Law-Books,	0 9 0
Nov. 25,	By Cash received of <i>Jesse Whitmore</i> , a Deputy Sheriff, for the Balance due from the Town of <i>North-Providence</i> , of the State Tax ordered in <i>November</i> , <i>A. D.</i> 1780, with Interest,	15 8 6
30,	By Cash received of <i>Ray Greene</i> , Attor- ney-General, for the Fines of <i>Samuel</i> <i>Vaughan</i> , <i>Arnold Lambert</i> , <i>Philip Cran-</i> <i>dall</i> , and <i>James Sims</i> , for a Riot,	0 12 0
	By Cash received of <i>Elisba R. Gardner</i> , Collector of Taxes for the Town of <i>South Kingstown</i> , for the Balance of that Town's Proportion of the State Tax, or- dered in <i>June</i> , <i>A. D.</i> 1791, with Interest,	132 6 8 $\frac{1}{4}$
Dec. 11,	By Cash received of <i>Benjamin Davis</i> , Town-Treasurer of <i>North-Kingstown</i> , for the Balance of a Note due from that Town, with Interest,	22 5 5
1794, Feb. 19,	By Three Secretary's Certificates receiv- ed of <i>John J. Wanton</i> , late Collector of Impost for the County of <i>New-</i> <i>port</i> , $\text{£. } 57 \text{ } 10 \text{ } 8$,	60 0 0
	By $\text{£. } 37$, Paper Money received of the same, $\text{£. } 2 \text{ } 9 \text{ } 4$,	
28,	By Cash received of <i>Levi Ballou</i> , for the Amount of his Note, deducting therefrom 9s. for a Note he held a- gainst Col. <i>Jeremiah Olney</i> ,	13 1 0
April 10,	By Cash received of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , for a Balance found due from him by Act of Assembly, passed at <i>February</i> Ses- sion, <i>A. D.</i> 1794,	40 17 11
May 9,	By Cash received of <i>George Thomas</i> , One of the Committee who sold the old Gaol in the County of <i>Washington</i> to <i>Cyrus French</i> ,	15 0 0
	By Cash received of <i>James Sheldon</i> , late Collector of the Interest Bonds, on the Bills emitted in <i>May</i> , <i>A. D.</i> 1786, due in the County of <i>Washington</i> , being the Balance of his Account, $\text{£. } 466 \text{ } 0 \text{ } 1\frac{1}{2}$, Paper Money, which at 15 for 1, is	31 1 4
31,	By Cash received of the Inhabitants of the County of <i>Newport</i> , for the In- terest due, for the Year 1793, on the Bills of Credit emitted in <i>May</i> , <i>A. D.</i> 1786, $\text{£. } 232 \text{ } 4 \text{ } 5\frac{1}{4}$, Paper Money, which, at 15 for 1, is	15 9 7 $\frac{1}{2}$

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June, 3.	By Cash received of <i>William Barton</i> , Collector of the Interest due in the County of Bristol, for the Years 1792 and 1793, on the Bills of Credit emit- ted in May, A. D. 1786, £. 206 2 0 $\frac{1}{2}$, Paper Money, which, at 15 for 1, is	13 14 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
	By the State Tax ordered by the Gene- ral Assembly, at June Session, A. D. 1793,	6000 0 0
	By Interest received of the following Towns on the aforesaid Tax, to wit :	
	<i>Newport</i> 17s3, <i>Portsmouth</i> 16s, <i>Jamestown</i> £. 1 2 4, <i>Tiverton</i> , £. 1 14 9, <i>Little Compton</i> , £. 1 6s, and <i>Middle-</i> <i>town</i> , 19s8,	6 16 0
	<i>Providence</i> £. 4 17s, <i>Glocester</i> , 5s5, <i>Cum-</i> <i>berland</i> 3s5, <i>Cranston</i> £. 1 5 3, and <i>North-Providence</i> 6s4,	6 17 5
	<i>Westerly</i> 12s9, <i>North-Kingstown</i> , 15s, and <i>Rickmond</i> £. 1 14 1,	3 1 10
	<i>Bristol</i> 2s3, <i>Warren</i> 2s7, and <i>Barring-</i> <i>ton</i> 7s5,	0 12 3
	<i>Warwick</i> 15s9, and <i>Coventry</i> 18s5,	1 14 2
		<hr/> £. 6975 10 0 $\frac{1}{2}$ <hr/>

AGREEABLY, to our Appointment, at last *May* Session, we have carefully examined the preceding Account, and compared the Charges with the Vouchers, and report, that we find a Balance due to the State thereon, from the said *Henry Sherburne*, of *Two Hundred and Seventy-nine Pounds Eight Shillings and Eight Pence*, lawful Money. Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, }
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

Newport, June 6, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

Report upon
the General-
Treasurer's
Continental
Paper Mo-
ney Account.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, to wit :

Dr. the State of *Rhode-Island's* Account, for the emission of Paper Money ordered by Congress, *March* 1780, with *Henry Sherburne*, General-Treasurer.

1794,	} To Balance due to the State in my	} £. 19254 18 4 $\frac{1}{2}$
<i>June</i> 6,		
	Hands, as entered on the Credit	
	Side of this Account,	
		Creditor.

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Creditor.

1792, } By Cash received of George Champlin,
Nov. 10, } Robert N. Auchmuty, and Christopher
Fowler, the State's Committee, } £. 19254 18 4½
amounting, with Interest, to

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, at last *May* Session, we have examined the preceding Account, and report, that there is now in the hands of the said *Henry Sherburne*, *Nineteen Thousand Two Hundred and Fifty-four Pounds, Eighteen Shillings and Four Pence Half-penny*, lawful Money, of the Emission ordered by Congress, in *March A. D. 1780*. Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, } Committee.
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, }

Newport, June 6, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit* :

Report upon
the General-
Treasurer's
Account, for
unloaned
Money.

Dr. the State of *Rhode-Island's* Account, for the unloaned Money emitted in *May, A. D. 1786*, returned by the Trustees, with *Henry Sherburne*, General-Treasurer.

1794, } To Cash paid George Champlin, Robert
Jan. 8, } N. Auchmuty, and John L. Bos, the
State's Committee, as per their Report } £. 3284 4 6
made at *February* Session, *A. D. 1794*, }
which they burnt,

Creditor.

1792, } By Cash received of George Champlin,
Nov 10, } Robert N. Auchmuty, and Christopher } £. 3284 4 6
Fowler, the State's Committee,

IN Obedience to our Appointment, at last *May* Session, we have examined the preceding Account, for the unloaned Money of the Emission of *May, A. D. 1786*, and report, that the Sum of *Three Thousand Two Hundred and Eighty-four Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence*, Paper Money, was delivered by the said *Henry Sherburne* to the State's Committee, who burned the same, and made Report thereof to the General Assembly at last *February* Session : Therefore this Account stands balanced. Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, } Committee.
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, }

Newport, June 6, 1794.

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June, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

Report upon
the General
Treasurer's
Account, for
Paper Mo-
ney lodged
for Tenders.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the General-Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit* .

Dr. the State of *Rhode-Island's* Account with *Henry Sherburne*, General-Treasurer, for the Paper Money emitted in *May, A. D. 1786*, lodged in the General-Treasury, for Tenders.

To Cash paid divers Orders of Assembly, as per Book No. 1, Page No. 5, from Voucher No. 1 to Voucher No. 15, inclusive,		£. 1570 6 10
1794, } June 6, }	Balance now remaining in the General-Treasury,	10433 17 1
		<hr/> £. 12004 3 11

Creditor.

1792, } Nov. 10, }	By Cash received of <i>George Champlin</i> , <i>Robert N. Auchmuty</i> , and <i>Christopher Fowler</i> , the State's Committee,	£. 11934 11 11
1793, } April 26, }	By Cash received of <i>Sylvester Gardner</i> , a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of <i>Washington</i> , for a Tender made by <i>Ebenezer Brown</i> , to the Heirs of <i>J. Allen</i> ,	69 12 0
		<hr/> £. 12004 3 11

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, at last *May* Session, we have carefully examined the preceding Account, and compared the Charges with the Vouchers, and report, that we find a Balance, remaining in the Hands of the said *Henry Sherburne*, of the aforesaid tendered Paper Money, of *Ten Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty-three Pounds Seventeen Shillings and One Penny*. Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, }
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

Newport, June 6, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

Report upon
the General-
Treasurer's

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of the General Treasurer, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of an Account, and Report thereon, *to wit* :

Dr.

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Dr. The State of Rhode-Island's Account with Henry Sberburne, General-Treasurer, for old Continental Money, State Paper, &c. lodged for Tenders.

Account, for old Continental Money, &c. lodged for Tenders.

1793, } Feb. 27, }	To Cash paid Matthew Manchester, by Order of the General Assembly, at February Session, 1793, being the Money he tendered to Thomas Gould, No. 1,	£. 798 0 0
1794, } June 6, }	Balance now remaining in the General-Treasury,	6813 14 10½
		<hr/> £. 7611 14 10½ <hr/>

Creditor.

1792, } Nov. 10, }	By the Amount received in old Continental Money, State Paper, &c. of George Champlin, Robert N. Auchmuty, and Christopher Fowler, the State's Committee,	£. 7611 14 10½
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AGREEABLY TO OUR Appointment, at last May Session, we have carefully examined the preceding Account, and compared the Charge with the Voucher, and report that we find a Balance remaining in the Hands of the said Henry Sberburne, of Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirteen Pounds Fourteen Shillings and Ten Pence Halfpenny, in the said tendered Money. Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN, }
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

Newport, June 6, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed to audit the Accounts of Henry Sberburne, Esq. as Trustee of the State's Continental Certificates, presented unto this Assembly the following Statement of his Account, and Report thereon, to wit :

Report upon H. Sberburne's Account as Trustee of Loan Office Certificates.

Dr. The State of Rhode-Island's Account with Henry Sberburne, for the Interest on the State's Continental Certificates.

1793, } March 13, }	To Cash paid John Brown, Treasurer of Rhode-Island College, for One Year's Interest, due September 1, A. D. 1792, on the Note the Corporation holds against the State, by Act of Assembly, passed at Feb. Session, A. D. 1793, No. 1,	£. 100 16 0
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	16,	To Cash paid the Committee of the Society of <i>Friends</i> , for their Claim upon the Estate formerly belonging to <i>George Rome</i> , which was sold by the State to <i>John Brown</i> , by Act of Assembly, passed at <i>February</i> Session, <i>A. D.</i> 1793, No. 2,	93	14	0
	July 17,	To Cash paid <i>Samuel Westcot</i> , for bringing Money from <i>Providence</i> ,	0	3	0
1794, } April 10, }		To Cash paid <i>John Brown</i> , Treasurer of <i>Rhode-Island</i> College, in full for the Balance of a Note held by the Corporation against the the State, 2339 <i>Dollars</i> and 23 <i>Cents</i> , No. 3,	701	18	3
		To Cash paid my Expences to and from <i>Providence</i> , to receive of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> Interest Money, and to complete the Payment of the Debt due to the College, with <i>John Brown</i> ,	0	16	6
	June 6,	Balance due to the State,	236	7	10½
			<u>£. 1133</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>7½</u>

Creditor.

1792, } Nov. 10, }	By Cash received of <i>George Champlin</i> , <i>Robert N. Auchmuty</i> , and <i>Christopher Fowler</i> , the State's Committee,	£. 115	5	8
	Dec. 1, By Cash received of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , Commissioner of Loans, for Two Quarter's Interest due on the State's, Continental Securities, September 30th last,	221	15	4
	10, By Cash received of <i>Rebecca Clarke</i> , Executrix of the Will of the late <i>Joseph Clarke</i> , deceased, for divers Omissions made by him on Interest Money received,	112	10	6½
1793, } Feb. 2, }	By Cash received of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , Commissioner of Loans, for One Quarter's Interest on the State's Continental Securities, due January 1, 1793,	110	17	8
	July 17, By Cash received of the same, for Two Quarters Interest on the State's Continental Securities, due July 1, 1793,	221	15	4
	Oct. 3, By Cash received of the same, for One Quarter's Interest on the State's Continental Securities, due October 1, 1793,	110	17	8
				1794,

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1794, } April 9, }	By Cash received of the same, for 3 Years and 3 Months Interest to April 1, 1794, on the State's Cer- tificates loaned in Philadelphia by <i>Francis Malbone</i> , and transfer- red to the Books of <i>Jabez Bowen</i> , in the Name of <i>Henry Sherburne</i> ,	18 18 0½
	By Cash received of the same, for 2 Quarters Interest on the State's Continental Securities, due April 1, 1794,	221 15 4
		<hr/> £. 1133 15 7½

AGREEABLY to our Appointment, at last *May* Session, we have carefully examined the preceding Account, and compared the Charges with the Vouchers, and report, that we find a Balance due to the State, remaining in the Hands of the said *Henry Sherburne*, of *Two Hundred Thirty-six Pounds Seven Shillings and Ten Pence Half-penny*, lawful Money. Which is submitted by

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

Newport, June 6, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

Statement of the funded Stock belonging to the State, in the Charge of *Henry Sherburne*.

State of the
funded Stock
belonging to
the State.

	Dolls.	Cts.	Dolls.	Cts.
Two Certificates, bearing Interest from <i>Jan. 1, 1791</i> , at 6 per Cent. }	222	48	40	
Deduct for a Transfer made to <i>John Brown</i> , Treasurer of <i>Rhode-Island</i> College, }	34	60	77	
			187	87 63
Two Certificates, bearing Interest from <i>Jan. 1, 1801</i> , at 6 per Cent. }	112	33	32	
Two Certificates, bearing Interest from <i>Jan. 1, 1791</i> , at 3 per Cent. }	543	1	3	

The above is a true Statement, as appears by the Certificates produced to us by *Henry Sherburne*.

GEORGE CHAMPLIN,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

Newport, June 6, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

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Report upon
H. Ward's
Account.

WHEREAS Messieurs *George Thomas, John Smith, and Nicholas Taylor*, who were appointed a Committee, by the Lower House of Assembly, to audit the Account of *Henry Ward, Esq.* presented unto this Assembly the following Statement thereof, and Report thereon, *to wit* :

The State of *Rhode-Island, &c.* Dr. to *Henry Ward*,
For my Services, as Secretary, from *August 8, 1792.* }
to *June 9, 1794*, amounting, as by a particular } £. 185 16 4
Detail of the several Charges appears, to

Creditor.

By a Grant made by the Assembly, at <i>June</i> Session,	}	£. 90 0 0
<i>A. D. 1793,</i>		
By the same, made at <i>October</i> Session, <i>A. D. 1793,</i>		45 0 0
By the same, made at <i>May</i> Session, <i>A. D. 1794,</i>		45 0 0
By an Error in his Account, to the Prejudice of	}	1 7 6½
the State,		
Balance due from the State to <i>Henry Ward</i> ,		4 8 9½
		<u>£. 185 16 4</u>

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to examine the Account of *Henry Ward, Esq.* have carefully done it, and find a Balance of *Four Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine Pence One Farthing* due to him, agreeably to the preceding Statement. Which is submitted by

GEORGE THOMAS,
JOHN SMITH, } Committee.
NICHOLAS TAYLOR,

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted, and that the aforesaid Balance of *Four Pounds Eight Shillings and Nine Pence One Farthing* be paid to the said *Henry Ward*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

N. Phillips
allowed
£. 13 7.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Thirteen Pounds Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Nathaniel Phillips*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for Printing done for the State, from *April, A. D. 1792*, to the present Time.

Grant of for-
feited Money
to *H. Little-
field.*

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *Henry Littlefield*, of *New-Shoreham*, representing that in the Year 1786, he tendered to *Benjamin Reynolds*, of *Exeter*, a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, which being refused, was lodged by *Sylvester Gardner, Esq.* then One of the Justices of the Court of Common Pleas

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Pleas for the County of *Washington*, in the General-Treasury ; and that he hath since paid the said Debt in another Manner ; and praying that the same may be restored to him :

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Henry Littlefield* be, and he is hereby, empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein, on the above-mentioned Account.

WHEREAS the late *Joseph Brown*, Esq. of *Providence*, deceased, *Israel Bowen*, Esq. and *Thomas Rumrell*, Esq. who were appointed a Committee to audit the Account of *William Davis*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Newport*, commencing in *July, A. D. 1780*, and ending *February 9, 1781*, did, at the Session held in *August, A. D. 1781*, present unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, so wit :

W. Davis,
owed £. 27
12 10¹/₂.

THE Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to audit the Account of *William Davis*, Esq. report, that, after deducting the Over-Charges, they find the Sum of *Twenty-seven Pounds Twelve Shillings and Ten Pence One Farthing*, lawful Money, in Specie, due thereon, to the said *William Davis*.

JOSEPH BROWN,
ISRAEL BOWEN,
THOMAS RUMREILL, } Committee.

Newport, August 25, 1781.

Which being now duly considered,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted; that the said Sum of *Twenty-seven Pounds Twelve Shillings and Ten Pence One Farthing* be paid to the said *William Davis* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; and that the same be in full Discharge of the said Account.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eight Pounds* be allowed and paid to the Town-Treasurer of *Providence*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of an Account charged by the said Town against the State, for the Support of divers French Exiles from *St. Domingo*.

Grant to
Providence
£. 8.

WHEREAS the following Report was presented to this Assembly, so wit :

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to receive of *John Grelea*, Esq. late Clerk of the Superior Court of Judicature, Sec. for the County of *Newport*, the Books of Record, Files of Papers, Seal, and all other Things belonging to the said Office, and deliver them to *Christopher Ellery*, Esq. the present Clerk of the said Court,

Report of the
Com. who
delivered the
Office of the
Clerk of the
Superior
Court in
Newport.

Court, do report, that we have performed that Service, and have given and taken Receipts for the same.

SIMEON MARTIN,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

Newport, June 12, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

J. Richards
allowed £. 1
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It is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound One Shilling* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Richards*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for apprehending Two poor Criminals who were convicted of Theft, and sold for *One Shilling and Four Pence* to pay the Cost.

W. Taggart
allowed
£. 18.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Pounds* be allowed and paid to *William Taggart*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for his Services, as an Assistant Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. in attending the Spring Terms of the said Court.

T. Tilling-
bast allowed
£. 20 8s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty Pounds Eight Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Thomas Tillingbast*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for his Services, as an Assistant Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. in attending the Spring Terms of the said Court.

E. Gardner,
jun. allowed
£. 16 4s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Sixteen Pounds Four Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Ezekiel Gardner*, jun. Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account, for his Services, as an Assistant Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. in attending the Spring Terms of the said Court.

An ACT directing the Records and official Papers of Justices of the Peace, and Wardens, to be deposited in the Offices of the Town-Clerks.

Records of
Justices and
Wardens to
be lodged
with the
Town-
Clerks.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That every Justice of the Peace, and Warden, within this State, shall, within Six Months after he shall cease to sustain the Office, lodge with the Town-Clerk of the Town
in

in which he lives, all his Records and official Papers, to be preserved by such Town-Clerk, as Appendages to the Papers in his Office : That in Case of the Decease of any Justice of the Peace, or Warden, his Executors, or Administrators, shall lodge the aforesaid Records and Papers in the Office of such Town-Clerk, within Six Months after the Death of such Justice of the Peace or Warden : And that if any Justice of the Peace, or Warden, or Executor, or Administrator, of such Justice of the Peace, or Warden, shall refuse or neglect so to lodge such Records and Papers, every Person so offending shall forfeit and pay the sum of *Twelve Shillings*, per Month, for each Month he shall so neglect or refuse, to be recovered in any Court of Law proper to try the same ; One Moiety thereof, to and for the Use of the State, and the other Moiety to and for the Use of the Informer who shall prosecute for the same.

An ACT directing Justices of the Peace and Wardens, to render an Account of the Fines received by them for the Use of the State.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That it shall be the Duty of the several Justices of the Peace, and Wardens, within this State, to render an Account to the General-Treasurer, at the annual General Election, of all Fines assessed by them due to the State, and in their Hands : And that no Justice of the Peace, or Warden, who shall neglect to render an Account as aforesaid, shall be eligible to the Office of a Justice of the Peace, or Warden, until he shall render an Account as aforesaid.

Justices of the Peace & Wardens to account for Fines.

AND it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the several Town Clerks, within this State, be directed to read this Act in the next Town-Meetings to be holden for the Election of Deputies.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Messieurs *Charles Lippitt, John Smith*, and *Jason Newell*, be and they are hereby appointed a Committee, to procure a Gaol to be built in the Town of *Providence*, Three Stories in Height, and not exceeding Fifty-three Feet by Forty-two : That the said Committee contract with some Person or Persons to build the same, on the most reasonable Terms in their Power, and for a Sum not exceeding *Two Thousand Pounds* : And that they make Report of their Proceedings to this Assembly, at the next Session.

Grant for a new Gaol in Providence, £. 2000.

The following Report was presented to this Assembly, *to wit* :

In Pursuance of our Appointment, we have received of *Jabez Bowen*, Esq. an original Paper, dated *November 4, A. D. 1785*, signed by *Archibald Cray, John Topham*, and *Josiah Flagg*, Com-

Report of the Com. who delivered the Indemnifica-

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tion to the
State, upon
Account of
the State's
Brigade, to
the General-
Treasurer.

mittee and Agents for the Regiments formerly under the Command of the Colonels, *Elliott, Crary, and Topham*, purporting a full Indemnification and Discharge to the State, for all Demands of the Officers and Soldiers of the said Regiments against the State, for the Depreciation of their Wages: And that we have delivered the same to *Henry Sherburne, Esq.* General-Treasurer, and taken his Receipt therefor; which we have deposited in the Secretary's Office, and taken the Receipt from him which we herewith present.—Sub-

NOAH MATHEWSON, } Committee.
JCHABOD COLE, }

Newport, May 7, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

E. Armstrong
allowed
£. 1 16s.

AGREEABLY to the Report of a Committee appointed, by the Lower House of Assembly, to examine the Account of *Elijah Armstrong*, a Deputy-Sheriff for the County of *Providence*, for the Services of himself and Aid in apprehending *William Brown*, accused of counterfeiting Money, and committing him to Goal in *Providence*:

It is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Sixteen Shillings be allowed and paid to the said *Elijah Armstrong*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full Discharge of the said Account.

The following Report was made to this Assembly, to wit:

Report upon
Pawtuxet
Bridge.

We the Subscribers, Two of the Committee appointed, at the last Session, to view *Pawtuxet-Bridge*, and consider of the Proportion in which the Towns of *Warwick* and *Cranston* ought to repair and maintain the same, beg Leave to report, that we have viewed the said Bridge, and find it in a very bad Condition; and that we could not prevail upon the said Towns of *Warwick* and *Cranston* to agree upon any Repairs among themselves. We must leave it to the General Assembly to take such Measures, respecting the said Bridge, as will be most conducive to the public Good.

JOHN SMITH, } Committee.
SAMUEL WARDWELL, }

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be, and the same is hereby, accepted.

C. Fowler
a Commit-
tee Man on
T. Rumreill's
Account.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Mr. *Christopher Fowler* be, and he is hereby appointed, One of the Committee (in the Room of *Elisha R. Potter, Esq.* who declined) to adjust the Account of *Thomas Rumreill, Esq.* as Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office.

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UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *William Greene*, of *Warwick*, Esq. as Executor of the last Will of his Father, *Philip Greene*, of the same *Warwick*, Esq. deceased, representing that his said Father tendered a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, in *May*, A. D. 1786, to discharge a Debt due to *John Low*, of said *Warwick*, Esq. which being refused was lodged, by *Stephen Arnold*, Esq. a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Kent*, in the General-Treasury; and that he, the Petitioner, hath since paid the said Debt in another Way; and praying that he may receive the same Money out of the General-Treasury:

Grant of forfeited Money to *W. Greene*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *William Greene* be empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money actually lodged therein, on the above-mentioned Account.

An ACT laying a Tax upon Dogs, in the Towns of *Newport*, *Portsmouth*, and *Middletown*.

WHEREAS it is represented unto this Assembly, that great Damage hath of late been done in the Towns of *Newport*, *Portsmouth*, and *Middletown*, by unknown Dogs, in killing, maiming, and worrying Sheep; and the keeping such Numbers of Dogs is otherwise detrimental to the Public: therefore, to lessen their Number, and to prevent such Mischief:

Act laying a Tax upon Dogs, on *Rhode Island*.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That every Person, in either of the said Towns, owning any Dog or Dogs, shall pay a Tax of *Six Shillings* yearly, and every Year, for each Dog owned by him, during the Time he shall own such Dog or Dogs, into the *Town-Treasury* of the Town where he lives, to and for the Use of such Town.

It is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, in future, the Freemen of the said Towns, respectively, at their annual Towns Meetings for the Election of Town-Officers, shall appoint a Committee to ascertain the Number of Dogs, and the Owners thereof, in such Town: That every Person, in either of the said Towns owning any Dog or Dogs, Twenty Days after the Appointment of such Committee, shall forever hereafter be liable to and pay the said Tax, to and for the Use aforesaid: That it shall also be the Duty of the Committee to issue their Warrants, from Time to Time, directed to the Collector of Taxes for such Town to collect the said Tax: And that thereupon such Collector of Taxes shall proceed to collect the said Tax, in the same Manner as other Taxes in such Town are collected, whether by Distress of Property, or otherwise; and shall also receive the like Fees for collecting the same.

AND that this Act may be carried into Operation and take Effect as soon as conveniently may be, *It is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That the Freemen of the said Towns, respectively, shall

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shall in Town-Meeting, legally convened within *Forty Days* after the Rising of this Assembly, elect a Committee for the Purposes aforesaid, who shall continue in Office until the next annual Election of Town-Officers in the said respective Towns, and have the same Powers, and perform the same Duties, as the Committees to be hereafter annually appointed : And that every Person, in either of the said Towns, owning any Dog or Dogs Twenty Days after the Appointment of such Committee, shall pay the aforesaid Tax, for the Use aforesaid, to be collected in the Manner abovementioned.

Grant to
Newport, for
the Support
of French
Exiles,
£. 115 5 8.

AN Account, charged against the State by the Town-Treasurer of *Newport*, for the Support of distressed French Exiles from *St. Domingo*, amounting to *One Hundred and Fifteen Pounds Five Shillings and Eight Pence*, having been examined and approved by the Town-Council of the said Town, and exhibited to this Assembly, was, by the Lower House of Assembly, referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

IN Pursuance of our Appointment we have carefully examined the foregoing Account, compared the Charges with the Vouchers, which agree, and find the same rightly cast. Submitted by

NOAH MATHEWSON,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.
NICHOLAS EASTON,

Newport, June 12, 1794.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted ; and that the Amount of the said Account, being *One Hundred and Fifteen Pounds Five Shillings and Eight Pence*, be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the Town of *Newport*, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

J. Bicknall
allowed
£. 1 16s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Sixteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Joshua Bicknall*, Esq. out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for his Services, as One of a Committee on *Providence Gaol*, and on *Pawtuxet Bridge*.

B. Wheeler
allowed
£. 16 7 6.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Sixteen Pounds Seven Shillings and Six Pence* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Bennett Wheeler*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for Printing done for the State, from *April 3, A.D. 1794*, to the present Time.

Grant to G.
Champlin,
£. 240.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Sum of *Two Hundred and Forty Pounds*, in Specie, be allowed to *George Champlin*, Esq. on Account

Account of the Repairs made by him on the State-House in *Newport*: And that *Henry Sberburne, Esq.* as Trustee of this State's Continental Certificates, pay the same out of the Monies received by him, for the Interest of said Certificates; and that the same be replaced out of the Proceeds of the next State Tax.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Joseph Mathewson, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for his Services, as One of a Committee on *Providence Goal*.

J. Mathewson allowed 18/.

UPON the Petition of the Town of *Westerly*, respecting a Highway laid out near *Pawcatuck-River*:

Westerly Petition submitted to Referrees.

It is Voted and Resolved, by the Agreement of the Parties to this Petition, That all Matters contained in the said Petition be submitted to the final Decision of Messieurs *Charles Lippitt, John Smith*, and *Jason Newell*; that they cite the Parties to attend at such Time and Place as they may appoint; and that, after hearing the Parties, they report their Decision to this Assembly, at the next Session; which determination shall be final. And the Proprietors of the said Highway, and the said Town of *Westerly*, hereby agree to be satisfied with such Sum in Damages as the said Committee shall award to either: And that the Orders voted by the Town-Council of *Westerly*, in Satisfaction of the Damages, as ascertained by their Committee, for the said Proprietors, be subject to this Rule, and to such Deductions as shall be made by the said Referrees therefrom.

UPON the Petition of *Thomas Champlin*, of *South-Kingstown*, representing to this Assembly, that about the Year 1787 he tendered to *Benjamin Weeden*, of *South-Kingstown* aforesaid, about *Seven Hundred and Fifty Pounds*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, in *May, A. D. 1786*, which, being refused by him, was lodged in the General-Treasury agreeably to Law; and that he hath since paid the said Debt in another Manner; and praying that the Money so lodged may be restored to him:

Grant of forfeited Money to *T. Champlin*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Thomas Champlin* be empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money by him actually lodged therein, on the abovementioned Account.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds One Shilling and Eleven Pence Half-penny* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Tew*, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Newport*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for Materials provided for, and repairing the said Gaol.

T. Tew allowed £. 3 1 11.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Nine Shillings* be allowed and paid to *John Smith, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or

J. Smith allowed 9/.

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in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for his Services, as one of a Committee upon *Pawtuxet* Bridge.

An ACT for furnishing the Quota of this State
of the Detachment of Militia ordered
by Congress.

Act for de-
taching Part
of the Mili-
tia.

WHEREAS the Congress of the United States did, on the Ninth Day of May last, pass an Act directing a Detachment from the Militia of the United States, and therein assigned One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-seven Men, Officers included, as the Quota of this State :

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That his Excellency the Commander in Chief require of the proper Officers to enrol, and make an authentic Return of the Militia of this State in their several Departments, and of their Arms and Accoutrements, within Forty Days after the rising of this Assembly : That he also require a like Return from the commanding Officers of the several chartered Companies : And that thereupon he apportion the said Number of One Thousand Six Hundred and Ninety-seven Men, Officers included, to the said Militia and chartered Companies, agreeably to the Numbers returned.

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That those detached from the Militia be formed by the Commander in Chief into Two Regiments, each of them to be commanded by a Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant, and Two Majors, with a due Proportion of Captains, and Subaltern Officers : That those detached from the chartered Companies be formed by him into One or more Companies as he shall think best : That the Commander in Chief, and the Major-General of the Militia, of the State select from the present Field Officers of the Militia, and appoint the Field Officers for the said Two Regiments : That the Brigadier-Generals select from the Line of their respective Brigades, and appoint the Captains and Subaltern Officers assigned to their several Brigades, and make Return thereof to the Commander in Chief, as soon as may be : And that the Commander in Chief select from the present Officers of the said chartered Companies, and appoint the proper Officers to command the Company or Companies that shall be formed as aforesaid.

IT is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Major-General shall cause the respective Brigades to be mustered by Regiments, excepting the Senior Class Regiments, which he shall cause to be mustered by Companies, on the Twenty-first Day of *August* next ; that the commanding Officers of the respective Regiments

iments make known the purpose for which they are mustered, and the number of Men to be furnished by each Regiment agreeably to the Apportionment aforesaid : That the commanding Officers of the several chartered Companies muster their respective Companies on the same Day, and make known to them respectively the Purpose for which they are mustered, and the number of Men assigned to each Company by the said Apportionment : That the said commanding Officers of Regiments, and chartered Companies, shall also make known to them the Conditions upon which they may enlist into this State's aforesaid Quota ; and shall offer to their respective Regiments and Companies, by the proper Officers thereof, enlisting Rolls agreeably thereto : And shall make exact Returns of the Number of Men who shall enlist, to His Excellency the Governor, on or before the Fifteenth Day of September next.

It is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall be the Duty of the Major-General, the Brigadier-Generals, the Field-Officers of every Regiment, the commanding Officers of chartered Companies, and all other Military Officers in the State, to make every Exertion in their Power, and take the most effectual Measures to have the aforesaid Number of Men enlisted, and equipped agreeably to law : That the Officers appointed to command this State's said Quota shall attend at the Muster of their respective Regiments, and chartered Companies, with enlisting Rolls in order to enlist the Men.

It is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in Case the said Detachment of Militia of this State shall be called into actual Service, the Commander in Chief be, and he is hereby empowered to appoint the necessary Staff-Officers.

It is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Secretary transmit to the Major-General, to the Brigadier-Generals, to the Adjutant-General, to the Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandants of the several Regiments, and to the commanding Officers of the several chartered Companies, printed Copies of this Act, of the Conditions of Enlistment, and the Allowances to the Officers and Men, and of the Form of the enlisting Rolls, as the same shall be directed by the Commander in Chief : And that the Adjutant-General furnish blank Returns to the Officers whose Duty it is by this Act to make Returns,

It is Voted and Resolved, That Nineteen Pounds Sixteen Shillings be allowed and paid to *Walter Cooke*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for his Services, as an Assistant Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. in attending at the Spring Terms of the said Court.

W. Cooke allowed
£.19 16/.

An ACT for the Preservation of Stakes and Buoys in Providence River.

Act for the
Preservation
of Stakes &
Buoys in
Providence
River.

WHEREAS the Channel from *Kinnimicut* to *Providence* hath been staked at the Expence of the United States, and it is also intended to fix one or more Buoys in different Places, which will be of great public Utility : And whereas inconsiderate People have made fast Scows and Boats to the Stakes, whereby some have already been injured : Therefore to preserve them,

It is Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof, That every Person who shall hereafter make fast any Scow, Boat, or Canoe to any of the said Stakes, or shall remove such Buoy, or Buoys, or in any Way injure the said Stakes or Buoys, he or they so offending shall forfeit and pay, as a Fine the Sum of Twenty Shillings, lawful Money, to be recovered before any Justice of the Peace in the Counties of Providence or Kent ; Two Thirds thereof to be paid to the Collector of the Customs for the District of Providence, for the Use of the United States, in Order to replace such Stakes and Buoys, and the other Third to the Informer who shall prosecute for the same.

Officers chosen.

BOTH Houses, being resolved into a Grand Committee, elected the following Gentlemen to the Offices ascribed to them respectively, *to wit* :

<i>Samuel Allen</i> , Esq. Chief <i>Elkanah Humphry</i> , Esq. Second <i>William Barton</i> , Esq. Third <i>Stephen Smith</i> , Esq. Fourth. <i>Joseph Reynolds</i> , Esq. Fifth	}	Justice of the Court of Common Pleas, and General Sessions of the Peace within and for the County of <i>Bristol</i> .
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JUSTICES of the PEACE.

GLOCESTER :

Zebedee Hopkins,
John Smith (Son of Benjamin)
Timothy Wilmarth,
Martin Smith,
Nathaniel Wade,
Samuel Winsor,
Richard Steere, jun.
Israel Cooke,
Job Steere, Esquires.

COVENTRY :

Job Matbewson, Esq. Sixth.

BARRINGTON :

James Martin, Esq. in Addition to those already chosen.

FOSTER :

Jacob Phillips, Esq. in Addition to those heretofore chosen.

M I L I T A R Y O F F I C E R S.

William Potter, Esq. Lientenant-Colonel-Commandant, *Joshua Kimbal*, Esq. First Major, and *Peter Briggs*, Esq. Second Major, of the Sixth Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Benjamin

Benjamin Wardwell, Esq. First Major, and *Josiah Humpbry*, Esq. Second Major, of the Regiment of Militia in the County of *Bristol*.

Gideon Harris, Esq. Second Major of the Third Regiment of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

George Tillinghast, Esq. Inspector of the Brigade of Militia in the County of *Providence*.

Samuel Sanford (the Second) Captain, *Robert Dunham*, Lieutenant, and *John Remington*, Ensign, of the Senior Class Company in the Towns of *Newport*, and *Jamestown*.

Peter Taylor, Captain, *Daniel Stilwell*, Lieutenant, and *James Burrill*, jun. Ensign of the Senior Class Company in the Town of *Providence*.

Thomas Sisson, Captain, *Peleg Peckham*, Lieutenant, and *Ichabod Clarke*, jun. Ensign of the Fourth Company of Infantry, in the Town of *Westerly*.

Micah Whitmarsh, Captain, *Stephen Arnold*, Lieutenant, and *Caleb Andrews*, Ensign, of the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *East-Greenwich*.

William Gardner, Captain, *John Place*, Lieutenant, and *Peleg Clarke*, Ensign, of the Second Company in the same Town.

Jonathan Smith, Captain, *Samuel Wilbur*, Lieutenant, and *Daniel Fisk*, jun. Ensign, of the Senior Class Company in the Town of *Scituate*.

Benoni Colvin, Captain, *Ezra Knight*, Lieutenant, and *Peleg Fisk*, jun. Ensign, of the First Company of Infantry in the same Town.

Stephen Smith, Captain, *Reuben Steere*, Lieutenant, and *James Kimbal*, Ensign, of the Second Company in the same Town.

Nathan Walker, Captain, *Joseph Carpenter*, Lieutenant, and *Samuel Wilbur*, jun. Ensign, of the Third Company in the same Town.

Resolved Smith, Captain, *Timothy Hopkins*, Lieutenant, and *Ezekiel Bishop*, Ensign, of the Fourth Company in the same Town.

Fireb Ballou, Ensign of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *Glocester*.

Langford Weaver, Captain, *Job Matbewson*, Lieutenant, and *John Lewis*, Ensign, of the Senior Class Company in the Town of *Coventry*.

Cornell Colvin, Captain, *Peleg Arnold*, Lieutenant, and *Edmund Colvin*, Ensign, of the First Company of Infantry in the same Town.

Joseph Wickes, jun. Captain, *Joshua Johnson*, Lieutenant, and *Joseph Greene*, Ensign, of the Second Company in the same Town.

Thomas Phillips, Captain, *William Greene*, Lieutenant, and *Solomon Mathewson*, Ensign, of the Third Company in the same Town.

Josiah Gibbs, jun. Captain, *Reuben Potter*, Lieutenant, and *Johnson Jordan*, Ensign, of the Fourth Company in the same Town.

Henry Reynolds, Lieutenant, and *Hiams Bates*, Ensign, of the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *Exeter*.

Nathan Carpenter, Lieutenant, and *John Short*, Ensign, of the Senior Class Company in the County of *Bristol*.

Thomas Briggs, Captain of the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *Little-Compton*.

Walter Wilbur, Ensign of the Second Company in the same Town.

Joseph Adams, Captain, *Benjamin Cole*, Lieutenant, and *William Hoar*, Ensign, of the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *Warren*.

Joseph Barton, Captain, *Samuel Mason*, Lieutenant, and *Samuel Bowen*, Ensign, of the Second Company in the same Town.

William Tanner (the Second) Ensign of the First Company of Infantry in the Town of *Hopkinton*.

Stephen Olney, Captain, *Joy Ladd*, Lieutenant, and *Nathan Walker*, jun. Ensign of the Senior Class Company in the Town of *North-Providence*.

B. Howland
allowed
£. 1 4s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Four Shillings be allowed and paid to *Benjamin Howland*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same be in full for his Attendance, as Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, and Clerk of the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, within and for the County of *Kent*, from *January Term, A. D. 1792*, to *January Term, A. D. 1794*, both inclusive.

T. Rumreill
allowed
£. 39 16 3.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, *to wit*:

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to consider the Allowance that ought to be made to *Thomas Rumreill*, Esq. Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, in Addition to the Fee of *Three Pence* on each Bond heretofore allowed him, beg Leave to report, as our Opinion, that the said Fee is inadequate to his Services, and the Expences of the Office; and that in Addition thereto he be allowed *Nine Pence* for the Discharge of each Mortgage to this Time: Which Sum, with the lawful Fees already received by him, and a reasonable Allowance for his keeping the Office Four Years

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Years, in which Time no Emolument arose, }	£. 188	5	6
amounts to - - - - - }			
Deduct, for the Fees he hath received }	£. 103	9	3
of the Mortgagers at 3d. per Bond, }			
Deduct also, a Grant made him at }	45	0	0
October Session, A. D. 1792, }			
		148	9 3
Balance due to Mr. Rumreill,	£. 39	16	3

Which we report as a full Compensation for his Services, as Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office, to the present Session. Submitted by

WILLIAM GREENE,
GEORGE THOMAS,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER, } Committee.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said Report be accepted ; and that the said Sum of *Thirty-nine Pounds Sixteen Shilling and Three Pence* be paid to the said *Thomas Rumreill*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Three Pounds Fifteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Samuel Eddy*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for Paper and Quills, and for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House. *S. Eddy allowed £. 3 15/6*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Melvill*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter. *T. Melvill allowed £. 1 7/6*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Thomas Tew*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter. *T. Tew allowed £. 1 7/6*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Richards*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter. *J. Richards allowed £. 1 7/6*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *One Pound Seven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *James Tew*, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established *J. Tew allowed £. 1 7/6*

lished Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as a Waiter.

S. Wardwell
allowed 18s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Samuel Wardwell*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of his account for his Services, as One of a Committee upon *Pawtuxet Bridge*.

Grant of forfeited Money to *D. Peckham*.

UPON the Petition of *Daniel Peckham* of *Middletown*, Yeoman, representing, that some Time since a Sum of Money, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, was lodged with the General-Treasurer, in Payment of a Note given by him jointly with *Ichabod Pad-dock* to *Stephen Ayrauli*; and that the said Debt hath since been otherwise discharged; and praying that the said Money may be restored:

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Daniel Peckham* be empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money actually lodged therein, on the abovementioned Account.

Support to French Exiles in *Newport*.

WHEREAS the under named *French Exiles* from *St. Domingo*, who are now in *Newport*, to wit:

Alliez, for himself, his Wife and Two Children,
Tiffon, for himself, his Wife and Three Children,
Patey, for himself, his Wife and Child,
1st Jtey, for himself, and his Wife,
Thomas, for herself and Two Children,
Barety, for herself and Child,

preferred a Petition, representing unto this Assembly their distressed Situation, and praying that the humane and benevolent Support, heretofore granted them, may be continued:

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Six Shillings*, per Week, be allowed, until the next Session of this Assembly, for each and every of the above described *French Exiles*, for their Support, to be paid out of the General-Treasury, weekly, to the President of the Town-Council of *Newport*, for that Purpose.

Company in *Barrington*, to choose their Officers.

UPON Motion made by the Deputies of the Town of *Barrington*,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Lieutenant of the Company of Infantry in that Town be, and he is hereby, empowered to issue his Warrant, within Six Days from the Rising of this Assembly, to call the said Company together, in some convenient Place within the said Town, to choose the commissioned Officers to command the said Company, until the next annual General Election; setting forth therein the Cause of their being convened: That the said Company be authorized to elect the said Officers by a Majority of Votes, by Ballot: That the said Lieutenant make Return of the Officers, so chosen

chosen, to his Excellency the Governor, within Four Days after such Choice: And that thereupon Commissions be issued to the said Officers, in the same Manner as to the Militia Officers appointed by this Assembly.

It is Voted and Resolved, That each of the Eight French Exiles from *St. Domingo*, now in the Town of *Bristol*, be allowed Six Shillings, per Week, from the Rising of this Assembly until the next Session; to be paid, out of the General-Treasury, to the President of the Town-Council of that Town, for the Support of the said Exiles.

Support to the French Exiles in Bristol.

WHEREAS Monsieur *Marrot*, a French Exile from *St. Domingo*, now in *Providence*, preferred a Petition, representing unto this Assembly the distressed Situation of himself and his Family; and praying that the same humane and benevolent Assistance, heretofore afforded them, may be continued:

Support to the French Exiles in Providence.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That an Allowance be made, until the next Session of this Assembly, of Six Shillings, per Week, to each of the Family of the said *Marrot*, consisting of himself, his Wife, and Two Children; to be paid, out of the General-Treasury, to the President of the Town-Council of the said Town of *Providence*, for their Support.

An ACT establishing a military Company, by the Name of *The Governor's Independent Company of Volunteers*.

WHEREAS the Preservation of this State depends, under God, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: AND WHEREAS a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Providence*, to wit: *Nathan Angell*, jun. *Benjamin Hoppin*, jun. *Francis Magwire*, *Peleg Eddy*, *David P. Whiting*, *Henry Hoffman*, *James Taylor*, *William Smith* (the Second) *William Eddy*, jun. *John Thurber*, jun. *Sion Fenner*, *Benjamin Tallman*, jun. *Thomas Taber*, *David A. Bacon*, *Henry Sweeting*, *Gideon Beverly*, *James McKerras*, *Jonathan French*, *Benjamin Ham*, *John Stone*, *Hezekiah Smith*, *Robert Durfee*, *William Woodward*, *James Larchar*, *William Richmond*, jun. *John Pabodie*, *Josiah Miller*, *Samuel Staples*, *James Peckham*, *James Franklin*, *Moses Olney*, *John M^cNeal*, *Thomas P. Clarke*, *Malachi Greene*, *Joseph Harris*, *George Beverly*, jun. *George Field*, *Jeremiah Eddy*, *Thomas Brown*, *Martin O. Kelley*, *Thomas Williams*, *Joseph Jacobs*, *Thomas Howard*, *George J. Taylor*, *Joseph Fry*, *William P. Taylor*, *Joseph Simmons*, *Samuel Jackson*, *Nathaniel Whiting*, *Robert Taylor*, jun. *Edward Kelly*, *Henry Hoffman*, jun. *Nathaniel Phillips*, *Israel Fenner*, *John Mathewson*, jun. *Edward Snow*, *Benjamin Eddy*, jun. *John James*, *Joseph Carpenter*, jun. and *Peleg Peckham*, have offered themselves to begin, and with such others as are or shall be hereafter added to them, to form them-

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selves into a Company, by the Name of *The Governor's Independent Company of Volunteers*, and by their humble Petition prayed this Assembly to grant them a Charter, with such Privileges, and under such Restrictions and Limitations, as this Assembly think proper: Wherefore this Assembly, in order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design,

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and grant, that the Petitioners aforesaid, together with such others as shall be hereafter added to them, not exceeding the Number of One Hundred, exclusive of Officers, be, and they are hereby, declared to be an Independent Company, by the Name of *The Governor's Independent Company of Volunteers*; and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights, Privileges and Powers in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IN THE FIRST PLACE. *It is granted* unto the said Company that they, or the greater Number of them, shall and may once in every Year, that is to say, on the last *Tuesday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together in some convenient Place by them appointed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit*: One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign, and all other Officers necessary for the training, disciplining, and well ordering the said Company; at which Election no Officer shall be chosen, but by the greater Number of Votes then present: The Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being.

SECONDLY. *The said Company* shall have Liberty to meet and exercise themselves upon such Days, and as often, as they shall think necessary, and not be subject to the Orders of the Colonel or other Officers of the Regiment in whose District they live. And the said Company shall meet, for exercising, at least Four Times in a Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, *to wit*: The Captain, for each Day's Neglect, *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, the Lieutenants, and Ensign, *Nine Shillings*, lawful Money, each, the non-commissioned Officers, *Six Shillings*, lawful Money, each, and the private Soldiers *Three Shillings*, lawful Money each; to be levied by Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or other superior Officer, for the Time being, directed to the Clerk, or either of the Sergeants, of the said Company.

THIRDLY. *The said Company*, or the greater Number of them, shall have Power to make such Rules and Orders, among themselves, as they shall think necessary to promote the Design of their Establishment; and to lay such Fines and Forfeitures upon any of their own Company, for the Breach of any such Rules or Orders, as they shall think proper; so as the same do not exceed *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money, for any one Offence. And they shall also have full Power to levy the Fines and Forfeitures, they shall so impose, by a Warrant of Distress from the Captain, or superior Officer of the said Company, for the Time being, directed to the Clerk, or either of the Sergeants of the said Company.

FOURTHLY.

FOURTHLY. AND for the further Encouragement of the said Company, *It is granted* unto them, That the Captain of the said Company shall be of the Rank of a Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant, the First Lieutenant of the Rank of a First Major, the Second Lieutenant of the Rank of a Second Major, and the Ensign of the Rank of a Captain; and that they shall be commissioned accordingly.

FIFTHLY. ALL THOSE who shall be enlisted into the said Company, by the Vote thereof, shall so long as they continue therein, be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing military Duty (Watching and Warding excepted) in the several Companies, or trained Bands, in the District in which they respectively live.

SIXTHLY. If any commissioned Officer, or Officers, of the said Company shall be disapproved of by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of the said Town of *Providence*, or shall resign his, or their Command, or shall be taken away by Death, then in either of those Cases the Captain of the said Company, or superior Officer, for the Time being, shall, by Warrant, call a special Meeting of the said Company as soon as conveniently may be, in order to choose another, or others, in the Place of such Officer or Officers, so incapacitated to serve as aforesaid, in the Manner herein before directed for the Election of the Officers of the said Company.

SEVENTHLY. *The said Company* shall, at all Times, be under the immediate Command of the Captain-General of the State, and when in actual Service under the Commander in Chief for the Time being.

EIGHTHLY. THE Commander of the said Company shall have full Power, by Warrant under his Hand and Seal, to authorize all Officers, who shall be duly elected under the Rank of a Captain, to act in the Rank or Station to which they shall be respectively elected.

An ACT establishing a military Independent Company, by the Name of *The Train of Artillery*, in the Town and County of *Bristol*.

WHEREAS the Preservation of these States, and of the Town of *Bristol* in particular, depends in the Time of War, under God, upon the military Skill and Discipline of the Inhabitants: And whereas a Number of them, in the Town and County of *Bristol*, have mutually agreed, for the public Good, to form themselves into a Company, by the Name of *The Train of Artillery*, in the Town and County of *Bristol*; and by their humble Petition prayed this Assembly to grant them a Charter, with such Priviledges, and under such Restrictions and Limitations, as this Assembly should think proper: Wherefore, this Assembly, in order to give all due Encouragement to so laudable a Design, and to so noble a Disposition,

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HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and by these Presents, do ordain, constitute and grant, that *Samuel Wardwell, William D'Wolfe, Samuel V. Peck, and John Bradford*, together with such others as have already joined them, or shall hereafter be added to them, not exceeding the Number of Sixty-four, exclusive of Officers be, and they are hereby, declared to be an Independent Company, by the Name of *The Train of Artillery*, in the Town and County of *Bristol*; and by that Name shall have perpetual Succession, and shall have and enjoy all the Rights, Powers and Privileges in this Grant hereafter mentioned.

IN THE FIRST PLACE. *It is granted* unto the said Company, that they, or the greater Number of them shall and may once in every Year, that is to say, on the First *Thursday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together in some convenient Place by them appointed, then and there to choose their own Officers, *to wit*: One Captain, One First Lieutenant, One Second Lieutenant and One Ensign, and all other Officers necessary for the training, disciplining and well ordering the Affairs of the said Company; at which Election no Officer shall be chosen, but by the greater Number of Votes then present; the Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being.

SECONDLY. The said Company shall have Liberty to meet and exercise themselves upon such other Days, and as often, as they shall think proper; but shall be obliged to meet, for exercising, at least Four Times in every Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, *to wit*: The Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign, for each Day's Neglect, *Eighteen Shillings*, lawful Money, each, the Bombardiers and Sergeants, *Ten Shillings*, lawful Money, each, and the Corporals and Gunners, *Seven Shillings*, lawful Money, each; to be levied by Warrant of Distress, directed to the Clerk, from the Captain, or other commanding Officer, of the said Company, for the Time being.

THIRDLY. THE said Company, or the greater Part of them, shall have Power to make such Rules and Orders, among themselves, as they shall think necessary to promote the End of their Establishment; and to lay such Fines and Forfeitures, upon any of their own Company, for the Breach of any such Rules and Orders, as they shall think proper; so that the same shall not exceed *Twelve Shillings*, lawful Money for any One Offence. And they shall have full Power to levy the same by Warrant of Distress, to be issued in the Manner herein before directed.

FOURTHLY. ALL those who shall be duly enlisted in the said Company, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms, or doing military Duty (Watching and Warding excepted) in the several Companies or trained Bands, in whose District they respectively belong.

FIFTHLY. If any Commissioned Officer, or Officers, of the said Company shall be disapproved of by the Governor and Council, or shall

shall remove out of the Town and County of *Bristol*, or shall be taken away by Death, or shall resign, then, in either of those Cases, the Captain of the said Company, or superior Officer for the Time being, shall call the said Company together as soon as conveniently may be, and choose another, or others, in the Place of such Officer, or Officers, so incapacitated to serve as aforesaid, in the Manner herein before directed for the Election of the Officers of the said Company.

SIXTHLY. AND for the further Encouragement of the said Company, *It is granted* unto them, That the Captain of the said Company shall be of the Rank of a Lieutenant-Colonel-Commandant, the First Lieutenant of the Rank of a First Major, the Second Lieutenant of the Rank of a Second Major, and the Ensign of the Rank of a Captain, and shall be commissioned accordingly: That the said Company shall be under the Command of no One but the Captain-General, and Lieutenant-General, of the State; and when in actual Service under the Commander in Chief for the Time being: And that the said Company shall have and enjoy every Right and Privilege that is granted to all Independent Companies in the State.

SEVENTHLY. *It is further granted*, That the Captain of the said Company shall have full Power, by Warrant, or Commission, under his Hand and Seal, to authorize all Officers, who shall be duly elected by the said Company under the Rank of a Captain, to act in the Rank or Station to which they shall be respectively elected.

EIGHTHLY. *It is further granted*, That the Officers of the said Company, when called into actual Service with the Militia, shall take Rank according to their Commissions.

At the Request of *The Governor's Independent Company of Volunteers*,

Officers for
the *Provi-*
dence Volun-
teers.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the following Officers be appointed to command the said Company until their next annual Election, *to wit*:

Robert Taylor, jun. Captain,
Jeremiah Eddy, First Lieutenant,
Thomas Williams, Second Lieutenant,
Samuel Jackson, Ensign.

At the Request of *The Train of Artillery*, in the Town and County of *Bristol*,

Officers of
the *Bristol*
Artillery.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the following Officers be appointed to command the said Company until their next annual Election, *to wit*:

Samuel Wardwell, Captain,
William D'Wolfe, First Lieutenant,
Samuel Vial Peck, Second Lieutenant,
John Bradford, Ensign.

Resolve for
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to Congress.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Two Representatives, qualified agreeably to Law, to represent this State in the Fourth Congress of the United States, be elected by the Freemen of this State, in their several Town-Meetings, legally assembled, on the last *Tuesday* in *August* next : That the Choice be conducted and made upon the Principles of an Act passed by this Assembly, at the Session in *June*, *A. D.* 1790, entitled "An Act prescribing the Mode of electing Senators and a Representative, to represent this State in the Congress of the United States of America, and the Times and Places of holding the Elections : " That a Return of the Votes of the Freemen, for the said Representatives, be made to this Assembly at the Session in *October* next : And that the Secretary forthwith transmit a Copy of this Resolve to the several Town-Clerks in the State.

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ed Compa-
nies.

WHEREAS divers Disputes have arisen respecting the Rank and Title of the Officers of the several military Independent Companies, who have had Charters granted unto them by this Assembly : For remedy whereof,

IT is Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof, That whenever the said Companies, or those that may hereafter be incorporated, shall be called into actual Service, the Captains and other Officers of the same, who have been appointed with the honorary Rank and Title of Colonels, Majors, &c. shall not be entitled to any more Pay or Command than though they were not appointed with such honorary Rank and Title : Any Thing in their respective Charters to the contrary notwithstanding.

Officers of
Bristol Com-
pany.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Joseph Greene* be appointed Captain, *Thomas Church*, Lieutenant, and *Loring Finney*, Ensign, of the Company of Infantry in the Town of *Bristol*.

Fees of the
Keeper of the
Grand Com-
mittee's Of-
fice.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office be allowed *One Shilling and Six Pence* for each Bond given in his Office, for the Bills of Credit emitted in *May*, *A. D.* 1786, and loaned by the State on Mortgage, when the said Bonds shall be taken up ; but in Case the Mortgagers shall choose, at any Time, to take up all their Bonds remaining in the Office, they shall be permitted to do it upon paying *One Dollar* only : And that the aforesaid Allowances shall be in full Compensation for all his future Services in that Office.

N. Phillips
appointed
Printer to
the State.

WHEREAS Mr. *Nathaniel Phillips*, of *Warren*, hath offered to do the printing Business of the State upon the following Terms, *to wit* :

FOR printing the Schedules, so long as the present Number shall be continued, at the Rate of *Seventeen Skillings* per Sheet, and in that Ratio for a greater Number ; the State furnishing Paper as heretofore.

FOR advertising the Laws in the Newspaper, *Three Skillings* for One Square or under.

If exceeding Five Squares, at *Two Shillings* and *Six Pence* per Square.

If exceeding Nine Squares, at *Two Shillings* per Square.

For printing Acts for Taxes, Proclamations, &c. in Hand-Bills, Twenty-five per Cent. lower than was allowed for the same Business, either the last or the present Year :

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Secretary be, and he is hereby, directed to employ the said *Nathaniel Phillips* to do the printing Business of the State, on the *aforsaid* Terms, until *May* next.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the late Collectors of Impost for the Counties of *Newport* and *Providence*, proceed immediately to collect the Money due from the Citizens of this State, on Account of the said Impost, and pay the same into the General-Treasury : And that, upon Failure of Payment, within Sixty Days after the Rising of this Assembly, the said late Collectors be, and they are hereby, directed and empowered to compel the Delinquents to pay the same by legal Process.

Late Impost
Officers to
Prosecute.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Session of the General Assembly, which of Course is to be holden on the last *Wednesday* in *October* next, be held on the last *Monday* thereof, in the State-House at *Providence* : Any Law or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

Assembly to
meet on the
last *Monday*
in *October*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be, and the same is hereby, referred to the next Session : That the Secretary publish the Acts and Orders now made and passed, and transmit them to the several Towns in the usual Manner . And that this Assembly stand adjourned to the *Saturday* next preceding the last *Monday* in *October* next, if then called ; but if not called before, nor at that Time, that then this Assembly be, and hereby is, dissolved.

Adjourn-
ment.

GOD save the UNITED STATES of AMERICA.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED :

W I T N E S S,

Henry Ward Law

October, 1794.

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At the General Assembly of the Governor
and Company of the State of *Rhode-Island*,
and *Providence-Plantations*, begun and hol-
den at *Providence*, within and for the State
aforesaid, on the last *Monday* in *October*, in
the Year of our Lord One Thousand Se-
ven Hundred and Ninety-four, and in the
Nineteenth Year of Independence.

P R E S E N T,
HIS EXCELLENCY.

ARTHUR FENNER, ESQUIRE,
GOVERNOR.

THE HONORABLE
SAMUEL J. POTTER, *Esq.* Deputy-Governor.

THOMAS G. HAZARD, <i>Esq.</i>	} ASSISTANTS.
PELEG ARNOLD, <i>Esq.</i>	
JONATHAN COMSTOCK, <i>Esq.</i>	
CALEB GARDNER, <i>Esq.</i>	
JAMES CONGDON, <i>Esq.</i>	
THOMAS HOXSIE, <i>Esq.</i>	
GEORGE BROWN, <i>Esq.</i>	
JOE WATSON, <i>Esq.</i>	

THE SECRETARY.

DEPUTIES

DEPUTIES from the several TOWNS.

NEWPORT :

George Champlin, *Esq.*
Mr. Caleb Greene,
Mr. Nicholas Taylor,
Mr. John L. Bois,
 Simeon Martin, *Esq.*

PROVIDENCE :

Welcome Arnold, *Esq.*
 Charles Lippitt, *Esq.*
 John Smith, *Esq.*
Mr. Nicholas Easton.

PORTSMOUTH :

Abraham Anthony, *jun. Esq.*
 Tillinghast Almy, *Esq.*
Mr. Richard Shearman,
Mr. Thomas Potter.

WARWICK :

Moses Arnold, *Esq.*
 Anthony Holden, *Esq.*
Mr. Joseph Brown,
Mr. Henry Remington,

WESTERLY :

Thomas Noyes, *Esq.*
 Rowse Babcock, *Esq.*

NEW-SHOREHAM :

Mr. William Littlefield.

NORTH-KINGSTOWN :

Daniel Updike, *Esq.*
 George Thomas, *Esq.*

SOUTH-KINGSTOWN :

Elisha R. Potter, *Esq.*
 Rowland Brown, *Esq.*

EAST-GREENWICH :

Mr. William Greene (*Son of Benj.*)
Mr. George Tillinghast.

JAMESTOWN :

Mr. Daniel Weedon, *jun.*
Mr. Robert Watson.

SMITHFIELD :

Mr. John Paine,
Mr. Henry Jenckes.

SCITUATE :

James Aldrich, *Esq.*
 Job Randall, *Esq.*

GLOCESTER :

Samuel Winsor, *Esq.*
Mr. Silas Thayer.

CHARLESTOWN :

Mr. Edward Wilcox,

Joseph Stanton, *jun. Esq.*

WEST-GREENWICH :

Mr. Josiah Niles.

COVENTRY :

Job Greene, *Esq.*
 Joseph Rice, *Esq.*

EXETER :

Christopher Pierce, *Esq.*
Mr. Job Wilcox.

MIDDLETOWN :

Mr. William Peckham, *jun.*
Mr. Isaac Barker.

BRISTOL :

Mr. Samuel Wardwell,
 Loring Peck, *Esq.*

TIVERTON :

Thomas Durfee, *Esq.*
Mr. Christopher Manchester.

LITTLE-COMPTON :

Mr. George Simmons,
Mr. Isaac Baley.

WARREN :

Mr. Charles Wheaton,
 Ichabod Cole, *Esq.*

CUMBERLAND :

Jotham Carpenter, *Esq.*
 Elijah Brown, *Esq.*

RICHMOND :

Mr. Samuel Larkin,
 Jonathan Maxson, *Esq.*

CRANSTON :

John A. Burton, *Esq.*
 Caleb Williams, *Esq.*

HOPKINTON :

George Thurston, *Esq.*
 Moses Barber, *Esq.*

JOHNSTON :

Noah Mathewson, *Esq.*
Mr. William Waterman.

NORTH-PROVIDENCE :

Mr. Edward Smith,
 Stephen Jenckes, *jun. Esq.*

BARRINGTON :

Thomas Allen, *Esq.*
 James Martin, *Esq.*

FOSTER :

William Tyler, *Esq.*
 Daniel Howard, *Esq.*

The Honorable. WELCOME ARNOLD, *Esq.* was chosen *Speaker*, and
 SAMUEL EDDY, *Esq.* *Clerk* of the Lower-House.

AN Account charged against the State by the Town of Providence, for the Support of French Exiles from *St. Domingo*, amounting to *Thirty-four Pounds Five Shillings and Three Pence*, having been examined and allowed by the Town Council of the said Town, and exhibited unto this Assembly, was, by the Lower House of Assembly, referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

IN Pursuance of our Appointment we have carefully examined the foregoing Account, compared the Charges with the Vouchers, which agree, and find the same rightly cast. Submitted by

NOAH MATHEWSON,
CHRISTOPHER FOWLER,
NICHOLAS EASTON, } Committee.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted; and that the Amount of the said Account, being *Thirty-four Pounds Five Shillings and Three Pence*, be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the Town of Providence, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

A RETURN was made to the Governor and Conneil, by the Independent Company called the *Governor's Independent Company of Volunteers*, in Providence, that they had elected *John Spurr* Captain of the said Company, in the Room of *John Whipple* who resigned; and *Ebenezer Macomber* First Lieutenant of the same Company, in the Room of *Seril Dodge* who also resigned; who approve the Choice.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office be, and he is hereby, directed to pay into the General-Treasury all the Specie he hath received, and shall receive, in Discharge of the Bonds given in the said Office for the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, in *May, A. D. 1786*, and receive therefor from the General-Treasury the Bills of Credit aforesaid, at the established Rate of Exchange: Provided there shall be a sufficient Sum of the said Bills of Credit in the General-Treasury.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office be, and he is hereby, directed to put in Suit the Bonds given in the said Office, for the Bills of Credit emitted by this State in *May, A. D. 1786*, which are now due, within Three Months after the Rising of this Assembly; and the Residue within Three Months after they shall become due: That the said Suits shall be commenced in the respective Counties where the several Obligors reside: And that the Keeper of the said Office shall be allowed *One Shilling and Six Pence*, lawful Money, for each Bond put in Suit as aforesaid, to be taxed in the Bills of Cost.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That this Act be published in all the Newspapers in this State.

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Loan Money to be burnt. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That Messrs. George Champlin, and Christopher Fowler, be, and they are hereby, appointed a Committee, to burn the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, in May, A. D. 1786, in the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office.

THE following Report was made to this Assembly, to wit:

Newport, October 27, 1794.

Report of the Keeper of the Grand Committee's Office. I HEREBY certify that I have received into the Grand Committee's Office, in discharge of Mortgage Deeds, since February 14th, 1794, being the Time when the Committee last burnt the Paper Money, in the aforesaid Office, Five Thousand Six Hundred and Twenty Pounds Seventeen Shillings and Eight Pence One Farthing, in Paper Money, and Twenty-one Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Ten Pence Halfpenny, in Specie, at the established Rate of Exchange, which makes the whole Amount of Securities discharged, since the said 14th of February, Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Forty-nine Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Five Pence Three Farthings.

THOMAS RUMREILL, Keeper of the said Office.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be, and the same is hereby accepted.

An ACT to incorporate certain Persons, by the Name of the *United Society of St. John's Church*, in *Providence*, in this State.

Charter of the *United Society of St. John's Church*.

WHEREAS certain Persons have petitioned this Assembly for an Act of Incorporation, whereby they may be enabled to promote certain Purposes, set forth in their Petition, and hereinafter mentioned:

BE it therefore enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That John Smith, John I. Clark, Zachariah Allen, Abraham L. Clark, William Allen, John Mumford, Jeremiah F. Jenkins, Moses Lippitt, Charles Lippitt, Ephraim Bowen, jun. Ichabod Brown, Aaron Wright, Joseph Crawford, John Carter, Cyprian Sierry, John Corlis, John Carlisle, Ebenezer Thompson, Thomas L. Halfey, George Olney, Jeremiah Olney, Stephen Dexter, John Carlile, jun. Daniel Stillwell, William Carlile, William Larned, Robert Taylor, jun. Oliver Bowen, jun. George H. Burroughs, Edward Thompson, Samuel Carlile, Archibald Stewart, Joseph Pease, and William Goddard, together with such others as they may, from Time to Time elect, be forever a Body corporate and politic, by the Name of *The United Society of St. John's Church*, in the Town of *Providence*, State of *Rhode-Island*, &c. for the Purpose of raising a Fund, by free and voluntary Subscriptions, Contributions, Legacies and Donations, for the more effectual Support of pub-

public Worship in *St. John's Church, Providence*, according to the Rites and Usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.—And the said *United Society of St. John's Church*, is hereby authorized and full Power is given unto them, to take, receive and hold, all Monies raised by voluntary Subscriptions, Contributions and Donations, and also to receive and hold all Legacies, or any real or personal Estate, that may be given for the abovementioned Purposes. And they are also empowered to have, possess or acquire, Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, or any Goods and Chattels whatsoever; and the same to let, lease, grant, demise, aliene, bargain, sell, convey and dispose of, by Deed or Deeds, under their Seal, at their own Will and Pleasure: And shall be capable in Law, as a Body corporate, to sue and be sued, to plead and to be impleaded, to defend and to be defended against, in all Courts and Places, and before all proper Judges whatsoever. And if it should happen that the said *United Society of St. John's Church* should become siezed of Lands or Tenements, by Mortgage, as Security for the Payment of any Debt or Debts, or by levying Execution on Lands or Tenements for discharging any Debt or Debts that may be due to the said Society, it shall be lawful for them, by Deed under their Seal, to sell and convey the Lands and Tenements acquired by either of the Two Ways.

AND be it further Enacted, That all Deeds, Mortgages and Instruments, of whatever Description, shall be taken, and also given, in the Name of the Treasurer, for and in behalf of the *United Society of St. John's Church*.

AND be it further Enacted, That all Donations to the said *United Society of St. John's Church* (excepting such as shall be differently appropriated by the Donors) shall make a Part of, and be put into the capital Stock or Fund of the said *United Society*; and shall be improved in such Way and Manner as the Society shall deem expedient: And the Income or Profits thereof shall be only appropriated to the Support of public Worship in *St. John's Church*, until the Income or Interest shall exceed the Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds* lawful Money; and then the Surplus shall be either added to the Fund, or appropriated to such other charitable Uses as a Majority of the Society shall judge most expedient.

AND be it further Enacted, That there shall be a Meeting of the Society on *Easter Monday*, yearly for the Purpose of regulating the Business of the Society, Electing a President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary; that all Officers shall, if it be judged necessary, be sworn to the faithful Performance of their respective Trusts; that the Officers of the Society be, and they are hereby, authorized to convene the *United Society of St. John's Church*, at any Time and Place, when they may judge it advantageous to the Interests of the Society: And that when any Seven of the Members are convened, after due Notification, they shall be, and are hereby declared to be, a Quorum of the said Society.

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AND be it further Enacted, That the aforesaid *John Smith*, shall be the First President, the aforesaid *John I. Clark*, the First Vice-President, the aforesaid *William Allen* the First Treasurer, and the aforesaid *Jeremiah F. Jenkins* the First Secretary, of the said *United Society of St. John's Church*: And that they continue in Office until the annual Meeting on *Easter Monday*.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said *United Society of St. John's Church* shall have a common Seal, which it may be lawful for them to alter, change and make new, at Pleasure: And that the said *United Society of St. John's Church*, by the Name aforesaid, they and their Successors, shall have perpetual Succession.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said *United Society*, at any of their Meetings, may elect into their Body such Persons as they shall judge proper; and may appoint Committees to prosecute the Orders of the Society, and to audit the Treasurer's Accounts, as often as they shall think proper. And full Power is hereby granted unto the said Society, at any of their Meetings, to make such Rules, Regulations and By-Laws, as they shall judge will be for the more orderly Government of the said Society: *Provided* that such By-Laws be not contrary or repugnant to the Laws of this State, or of the United States.

AND be it further Enacted, That a proper Book or Books shall be provided by the Society, for the Purpose of registering and keeping an accurate Account of all Subscriptions, Contributions, Legacies and Donations, made to the *United Society of St. John's Church*; and also of the Names of the Donors, their Places of Residence, and the Time of their being made. And the said Book or Books shall be brought to every annual Meeting, and there opened for the Inspection and Satisfaction of every Member of the *United Society of St. John's Church*.

AND be it further Enacted, That if ever there shall be a less Number than Seven Persons belonging to the said *United Society of St. John's Church*, then, in such Case, all Monies, Bonds, Mortgages, Deeds, Notes, Obligations, Books and Papers of every Kind, together with all the Estate both real and personal, whatsoever, at that Time belonging to the said *United Society of St. John's Church*, shall be given up to, and the sole Property thereof be vested in, the Minister, Wardens and Vestry of *St. John's Church in Providence*; and be by them appropriated to such Use as they shall judge will be most for the Interest and Benefit of the said Church.

PROVIDED nevertheless, and be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That no Part of this Act shall be construed and understood to grant any Power or Powers to the said *United Society of St. John's Church*, to raise any Sum or Sums of Money, for the Purposes aforesaid, in any other Way, than by free and voluntary Subscription, Contribution, Legacy or Donation.

WHEREAS

WHEREAS a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town of *Warren* Lottery preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly that they granted for have by the voluntary Contribution of themselves and others, at a Meeting-considerable Expence, erected and inclosed a Meeting-House in that House in Town, for public Worship, and that they are unable to finish the *Warren*. same : And thereupon prayed this Assembly to grant them a Lottery, for the Purpose of raising a Sum of Money, to be appropriated to the finishing the said Meeting-House, agreeably to a Scheme with the said Petition presented ; and that Messrs. *William Barton, Samuel Child, Daniel Kelly, Isaac Barras* and *Martin Luther*, may be appointed Directors thereof :

Scheme of the Lottery presented as aforesaid,

1 Prize of	1000 Dollars,	1000
1 Ditto	500	500
2 Ditto	250	500
5 Ditto	100	500
10 Ditto	50	500
20 Ditto	25	500
50 Ditto	10	500
1000 Ditto	5	5000
<hr/> 1089 Prizes, amounting to		<hr/> 9000 Dollars.

The Prizes subject to a Deduction of *Twelve* and an *Half* per Cent.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Petition be, and the same is hereby, granted : And that the aforesaid *William Barton, Samuel Child, Daniel Kelly, Isaac Barras* and *Martin Luther* be, and they are hereby appointed Directors of the said Lottery ; they giving Bond to the General-Treasurer, in the Sum of *Nine Thousand Dollars*, for the faithful Discharge of Trust reposed in them.

It is Voted and Resolved, That his Excellency the Governor be, for the Pub- and he is hereby, requested to direct the Commissioner of Loans for lic Debt due the United States, in this State, to issue the Certificates for the Bal- to the State-ance due to this State from the United States, in the Name of *Henry* to be taken in the Name of *Sherburne*, Esq. the General-Treasurer, payable to him in that Ca- of the Gener- pacity, or to his Successors in the said Office, in Trust for this State. al Treasurer.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Fifty-six Pounds Fifteen Shillings* Gibbs and and *Five Pence Halfpenny* be allowed and paid to Messrs. *Gibbs & Channing* Channing, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of allowed Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; £.56 15 5½ it being the Amount of their Account for the Cost of a Bell, and for the Expence of fixing it in the State-House in *Newport*.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-five Pounds Four Shillings* W. Taggart be allowed and paid to *William Taggart*, Esq. out of the General- allowed Treasury, in Specie, or in Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at £.25 4 the

the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for his Services as an Assistant Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. in attending the Terms of the said Court during the last Circuit.

J. Smith,
allowed
£. 4 1 3.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds One Shilling and Three Pence be allowed and paid to *John Smith, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for repairing the Windows in the State-House at *Providence*.

*G. Thomas &
J. Maxson*
allowed 18s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Eighteen Shillings be allowed and paid to *George Thomas, and Jonathan Maxson, Esqrs.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of their Account, for their Services as a Committee upon the State House in the County of *Washington*.

W. Cook
allowed
£. 24 12.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Twenty-four Pounds Twelve Shillings be allowed and paid to *Walter Cook, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account, for his Services as an Assistant Justice of the Superior Court of Judicature, &c. in attending the Terms of the said Court during the last Circuit.

*Southwick &
Co.* allowed
£. 4 1 9.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds One Shilling and Nine Pence be allowed and paid to Messrs. *Southwick & Company*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of their Account for providing Paper, and printing Regimental Returns for the Militia, by order of the Adjutant-General.

H. Ward
allowed
£. 36 7 6½.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Thirty-six Pounds Seven Shillings and Six Pence Halfpenny be allowed and paid to *Henry Ward, Esq.* out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for his Services as Secretary, from the last Session to the Commencement of the present.

R. Smith al-
lowed 20s.

It is Voted and Resolved, That Twenty Shillings be allowed and paid to *Richard Smith, Esq.* out of the General Treasury in Specie or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being for several Omissions in his former Account.

Support
granted to
French Ex-
iles, in New-
port.

WHEREAS the afternamed French Exiles from *St. Domingo*, who are now in *Newport*, to wit : Mrs. *Thomas*, for herself and Two Children, Mrs. *Barrety* for herself and her Child, and Mrs. *Ytey*, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly their distressed Situation, and prayed that the same humane and benevolent Support heretofore granted to them, may be continued :

On

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same Allowance as was granted, at the last Session, to the aforefaid Petitioners, be granted to them until the next Session, under the Direction of the Town-Council of *Newport*.

WHEREAS Mr. *Marrot*, a *French* Exile from *St. Domingo*, for himself, his Wife and their Two Children, preferred Petition, and represented unto this Assembly the distressed Situation of the aforefaid Family, and prayed that the same humane and benevolent Support, heretofore granted to them, may be continued : Support granted to French Exiles, in Providence.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same Allowance as was granted at the last Session, to the said Mr. *Marrot*, for the Support of his Family, be continued until the next Session, under the Direction of the Town-Council of *Providence*.

WHEREAS Mrs. *Elizabeth Shearman*, Widow of *Peleg Shearman*, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that she is possessed of Two State Notes given by *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. deceased, late General-Treasurer, dated in May, A. D. 1771, for *Thirty Pounds* lawful Money ; and that there are Indorsements of Ten Years Interest thereon, for which she received an Order on the Impost-Office, which hath never been paid ; and thereupon prayed this Assembly to direct the General-Treasurer, upon her delivering up the said Notes and Impost-Order, to give her a new Note for the Amount, with the Interest, in the same Manner as new Notes have been heretofore given to Persons possessed of State Notes, of the abovementioned Date : General-Treasurer to issue a new Note to E. Shearman.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the aforefaid Petition be so far granted, that the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby, directed to issue new Notes to the said *Elizabeth Shearman*, for the Two abovementioned Notes, agreeably to the Prayer of the said Petition ; but that the said Impost Order be not included.

UPON the Petition of *Rebecca Clarke*, Widow, and Executrix, of *Joseph Clarke*, Esq. late General-Treasurer, representing, that in the Adjustment of her said late Husband's Account, with the State, the full Amount of divers Taxes ordered by the Legislature, not yet wholly paid into the General-Treasury, by certain Towns, have been charged to him ; by Reason whereof his Estate suffers great Injury ; and praying that Enquiry may be made respecting the Premises, that Justice may be done : Com. to examine R. Clarke's Petition.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Messrs. *George Champlin* and *Christopher Fowler* be, and they are hereby, appointed a Committee to enquire into the Matters set forth in the said Petition ; and that they make Report to this Assembly at the next Session.

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WHEREAS

October, 1794.

O. Cornell's
Petition.

WHEREAS *Oliver Cornell*, Captain of the Company of Infantry in *Middletown*, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that he greatly exerted himself to do his Duty, in Conformity to the Act for furnishing the Quota of this State of the Detachment of Militia ordered by Congress; that notwithstanding he was guilty of some Neglect, for which a General Court-Martial is called upon him, but that no Trial hath yet been had: And that the said Neglect was wholly occasioned by his being a young Officer, and unacquainted with his real Duty at that Time: And thereupon the said *Oliver Cornell* prayed this Assembly to grant him a Pardon for his said Neglect, and to continue him in the said Office, that he may have an Opportunity of evincing his Readiness and Zeal to execute the Laws of the State, and the orders he may receive, in Pursuance thereof, from his Superior Officers.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said *Oliver Cornell*, in his afore said Petition contained, be, and the same is hereby, granted.

An ACT to repeal an Act prohibiting Stage-Plays and other Theatrical Entertainments.

Act prohib-
iting Stage-
Plays re-
pealed.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof *it is hereby Enacted*, That the Act entitled "An Act to prevent Stage-Plays and other Theatrical Entertainments within this Colony" be, and the same is hereby, repealed.

J. Card's
Petition.

UPON the Petition of *Job Card*, of *North-Kingstown*, Yeoman, representing to this Assembly, that by Reason of Sicknefs in his Family, and other Misfortunes he hath not been able, within the Time allowed him by this General Assembly, to dispose of his Estate, for discharging the Execution issued against him by the General-Treasurer, to any Advantage; and praying that upon the Payment of the whole Interest which shall become due on the Twenty-fifth Day of *March* next, he may allowed the further Time of Two Years from now to pay the principal Sum, with Interest:

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the afore said Petition be granted, with this Proviso; that in Case the said *Job Card* shall not pay the whole of the said Interest by said Twenty-fifth Day of *March*, then the said Execution shall proceed, and be executed: And that in Case he shall not pay the whole of the Principal and Interest, within Two Years from the Rising of this Assembly at the present Session, then the said Execution (which it is hereby declared shall continue in Force) shall be levied upon his Estate according to the Tenor and true Intent thereof.

Grant of for-
feited Money

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of *Benjamin Davis*, Town-Treasurer of *North-Kingstown*, representing that *Margery Northup*, of

of *North-Kingstown* aforesaid, Widow, obtained a Judgment against to *N. Kingstown*.
 his Predecessor, *Benjamin Davis*, deceased, and late Town-Treasurer of the said Town for £.143, lawful Money, or thereabouts, which was lodged with *Silvester Gardner*, Esq. then a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of *Washington*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State in *May, A. D. 1786*, and being refused by the said *Margery Northup*, was deposited, after deducting the Charges, in the General-Treasury; and that the said *Margery* and *John Carr*, her present Husband, recovered a Judgment of the Court of Common Pleas, for said County, at *February Term, A. D. 1794*, for the same Demand; and praying that he may be permitted to draw out the Money so deposited in the General-Treasury:

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Benjamin Davis*, in his said Capacity, be, and he is hereby, empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the same Money that was actually lodged therein, on the abovementioned Account.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Committee appointed by this Assembly, at the last Session, to determine a Dispute between the Inhabitants of the Town of *Westerly*, relative to laying out a Highway in that Town, be continued agreeably to their former Appointment; and that they make Report of their Proceedings to this Assembly, at the next Session. Committee on a Highway in *Westerly*, continued.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Act of this Assembly, passed at the Session in *August, A. D. 1782*, directing *Silvester Gardner*, Esq. to pay the Amount of a Note by him given, as the Head of a Class in *North-Kingstown*, to *Joseph Whitford*, who enlisted for the said Class, as a Soldier in the Continental Battalion of this State, into the General-Treasury, be repealed; the said *Joseph Whitford* having been represented as a Deserter: And that the Act of this Assembly passed at the Session held in *June, A. D. 1783*, respecting the aforesaid Act be also repealed. Two Acts respecting *J. Whitford*, repealed.

WHEREAS the Towns of *Smithfield*, *Johnston*, and *North-Providence* have requested this Assembly, that the Line which divides the said Town of *Smithfield* from the said Towns of *Johnston*, and *North-Providence*, may be run and ascertained: Line between *Smithfield*, *Johnston*, and *N. Providence* to be run.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the following Committee be, and hereby is appointed for that Purpose, to wit: *Elisha Olney*, Esq. for *Smithfield*, *Noah Mathewson*, Esq. for *Johnston*, and *Stephen Jenckes, jun.* Esq. for *North-Providence*: That *Caleb Jenckes*, Esq. be the Surveyor to run the said Line, agreeably to the Directions he shall receive from the said Committee: That One Half of the Expence thereof be paid by the said Town of *Smithfield*, and the other Half by the said Towns of *Johnston*, and *North-Providence* in equal Proportions: And that the Committee make Report to this Assembly as soon as may be.

S. Phillips *It is Voted and Resolved*, That Seven Pounds Nine Shillings and
allowed *Ten Pence* be allowed and paid to *Samuel Phillips*, Esq. out of the
£. 7 9 10 General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this
 State, at the established Rate of Exchange; it being the Amount of
 his Account for the Board of *Tony Rome*, a State's Pauper, from
March 10th, A. D. 1794, to the 13th of *October* instant.

Com. to ad- Upon the Petition of *Samuel Helme*, Esq. Administrator to the
 just the Ac- Estate of *Rowse J. Helme*, Esq. deceased, praying that a Committee
 counts of the may be appointed to settle the Account of the said *Rowse J. Helme*
 late R. J. with the State, as One of a Committee, with *John Jenckes*, Esq. and
Helme. Mr. *George Olney*, to prepare the Accounts of the State with the U-
 nited States for Adjustment.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Henry Sberburne*, Esq. and Mr. *Ni-
 cholas Easton* be, and they are hereby, appointed a Committee for
 the aforesaid Purpose; and that they make Report to this Assem-
 bly at the next Session.

Light Com- WHEREAS divers Persons belonging to the Fifth Company of In-
pany of the fantry in the Town of *Providence*, preferred a Petition and repre-
First Regi- sented unto this Assembly, that the District which composes the said
ment in the Company contains more than One Hundred and Thirty Men; and
County of that Fifty-three of them, being the aforesaid Petitioners, have been
Providence, at the Trouble and Expence of putting themselves into complete
established. Uniform, and of acquiring considerable Knowledge of military Ex-
 ercises; and thereupon prayed this Assembly that such of the said
 Company as are now in Uniform, together with such as shall be ad-
 ded to them from the said District, not to exceed Sixty-four Men,
 Rank and File, may be incorporated, and constituted a Company,
 by the Name of the *Light Company of the First Regiment of Militia
 in the County of Providence*; and that they may be permitted to nom-
 inate their own Officers; and to make such By-Laws for the well-
 ordering and disciplining the said Company as may be necessary:

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the said Petitioners, in
 their aforesaid Petition, contained be, and the same is hereby, granted.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, at the Request of the said
Light Company, That *Jeremiah Jenckes*, be appointed the Captain,
James Ormsbee, Lieutenant, and *John Eatborth*, Ensign thereof.

Officers for *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the following Officers be, and
 the Fifth they are hereby, appointed to command the Fifth Company of Infan-
 Company in try in the Town of *Providence*, to wit: *Eber Coleman*, Captain,
Providence. *Benjamin Earle*, Lieutenant, and *Charles W. Tillinghast*, Ensign.

Forfeited Money granted to *R. Merry.* Upon due Consideration of the Petition of *Ralph Merry*, late of *Pro-
 vidence*, representing that he formerly tendered to *John Brown*, Esq. the
 Sum of Two Hundred and Sixty-one Pounds Fifteen Shillings Paper Mo-
 ney, in Discharge of a Mortgage and Note of Hand, which being refus-
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ed, was by *Stephen Potter*, Esq. deposited in the General-Treasury, agreeably to Law; and that he hath since settled with the said *John Brown*, and paid the said Mortgage and Note of Hand in another Manner; and praying that the same may be restored to him:

It is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Ralph Merry* be, and he is hereby, empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the Money actually lodgd therein, on the abovementioned Account.

An ACT to incorporate certain Persons, by the Name of *The Providence and Norwich Society*, for establishing a Turnpike Road from *Providence* to *Connecticut* Line, through *Johnston*, *Scituate*, *Foster* and *Coventry*.

WHEREAS *John Brown*, *Cyprian Sterry*, *Nicholas Brown*, *Thomas L. Halsey*, *John Corlis*, *Thomas P. Ives*, *Jabez Bowen*, *Robert Dixon*, *Archibald Dorrance*, *James Gordon*, *Elisha Fox*, *Ebenezer Eaton*, *John Douglas*, *Thomas Lotbrop*, *Jedediah Huntington*, *Joseph Howland*, *Jesse Brown*, and others, their Associates, have petitioned this Assembly, and represented, that they are willing to lay out in Repairs, on the Road leading from *Providence* to *Connecticut* Line, through the Towns of *Johnston*, *Scituate*, *Foster* and *Coventry*, the Sum of *Eighteen Hundred Pounds*, lawful Money: Provided the same can be established as a Turnpike Road, with a reasonable Toll proportionable to the Distance and Expence to be laid out in the First Instance, and afterwards to keep the same in Repair: And prayed this Assembly to pass an Act incorporating them, as a Body politic, for the Purpose aforesaid.

An Act for making a Turnpike Road on the Plainfield Road from Providence.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said *John Brown*, *Cyprian Sterry*, *Nicholas Brown*, *Thomas L. Halsey*, *John Corlis*, *Thomas P. Ives*, *Jabez Bowen*, *Robert Dixon*, *Archibald Dorrance*, *James Gordon*, *Elisha Fox*, *Ebenezer Eaton*, *John Douglas*, *Thomas Lotbrop*, *Jedediah Huntington*, *Joseph Howland*, and *Jesse Brown*, with others their Associates, their Successors and Assigns, shall be, and are hereby created a Corporation and Body politic, by the Name of *The Providence and Norwich Society*, for establishing a Turnpike Road from *Providence* to *Connecticut* Line, through *Johnston*, *Scituate*, *Foster* and *Coventry*; and by that Name shall be, and are hereby made able and capable in Law, as a Body corporate, to have, purchase, possess and enjoy to themselves, their Successors and Assigns Lands, not exceeding One Hundred Acres, Rents, Tenements, Tolls and Effects, of what Kind or Nature soever; and the same to grant, sell or dispose of by Deed or Deeds, at their own will and Pleasure; to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded, to answer and be answered unto, to defend and be defended against, in all Courts of Record,

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and before all proper Judges whatsoever, in all Causes of whatsoever Name or Nature ; and to ordain, establish and put in Execution, such By-Laws, Ordinances, and Regulations as shall seem necessary and convenient for the Government of the said Corporation, not being contrary to Law ; to have a common Seal ; and generally to do and execute all and singular Matters and Things, which to them may appertain, in repairing the said Road in Manner aforesaid, and in Relation to making, establishing, securing, maintaining and keeping up the aforesaid Turnpike Road ; and to the recovering and collecting the Tolls hereinafter mentioned.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That there shall be a Meeting of the said Corporation on the First *Monday* in *April* annually, at *Foster* aforesaid, for the Election of a President, Treasurer and Secretary, and for transacting any other Business that may legally come before them : That all Matters shall be decided by a Majority of the Votes of the Members present : That the aforesaid Stock being divided into Sixty Shares of *One Hundred Dollars* each, the Stockholders shall have as many Votes as they may hold Shares respectively : And that the Secretary be authorized to call special Meetings, at said *Foster*, when thereunto requested in Writing by Stockholders holding Stock to the Amount of Twelve Shares, by previously advertising the same Three Weeks at the Place of the Turnpike ; which Meetings shall have Power to transact Business ; provided Stockholders to the Amount of Twelve Shares shall assemble.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Proprietors or Stockholders, or their Agents shall, immediately after the said Sum of *Eighteen Hundred Pounds* shall be expended in Manner aforesaid, be authorized to receive, at any Place on the said Turnpike Road within Nine Miles of said *Connecticut* Line, Toll for passing on the said Turnpike Road, at and after the following Rates, *to wit* :

	<i>Cents</i>
A Waggon, Cart or Ox-Sled Team, not exceeding Four Cattle,	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
A Team of more than Four Cattle,	15
A Sleigh with more than One Horse,	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
An One Horse Sleigh,	6
A Coach, Chariot or Phaeton,	40
A Chaise, Chair or Sulkey,	20
A Horse and Horse-Cart,	6
A Person and Horse,	6
Horses or Mules in Drovers, per Head,	2
Neat Cattle in Drovers, per Head,	1
Swine in Drovers, for every Fifteen,	10
For any less Number than Fifteen, each,	1
Sheep and Store-Shotes, each,	$\frac{1}{2}$
Mail-Stage,	6

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And that Foot-Passengers be not liable to any Toll, nor nigh Neighbours passing on said Turnpike Road for the Purposes of attending public Worship, Funerals, Town-Meetings or other Town-Business, or going to and from Mills, or for the Purposes of Husbandry.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Corporation shall at all Times keep the said Turnpike Road in good Repair, at the proper Expence of the said Corporation, and their Successors and Assigns, for so long Time as they shall collect and receive the aforesaid Toll.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That, to ascertain the Produce of the said Toll, a fair Account shall be kept by the Proprietors aforesaid, and be open to the Inspection of any Committee or Committees who may be appointed by this General Assembly to inspect the same; and that a regular Account of Expenditures be also rendered to such Committee or Committees.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That whenever, and as soon, as the aforesaid Toll shall reimburse the Proprietors aforesaid, their Successors and Assigns the said Sum of Eighteen Hundred Pounds, together with Twelve per Cent. per Annum Interest thereon, and all Expences for repairing the said Turnpike Road, from Time to Time, and other incidental necessary Expences of the said Corporation, the said Road shall revert to the Public, and forever thereafter remain discharged of the Toll aforesaid.

An ACT in Addition to the Act passed by this Assembly, at the Session held in *February, A. D. 1794*, entitled “An Act to incorporate certain Persons, by the Name of *The Society for establishing and supporting a Turnpike Road*, on the great Road from *Providence to Killingly*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned.”

WHEREAS it is represented to this Assembly by the Petition of the Persons incorporated by an Act of this Assembly, passed at *February Session, A. D. 1794*, entitled “An Act to incorporate certain Persons, by the Name of *The Society for establishing and supporting a Turnpike Road*, on the great Road from *Providence to Killingly*, and for other Purposes therein mentioned,” that the Sum of *Eight Hundred and Fifty Pounds*, mentioned in said Act, is insufficient for the Purpose of making said Turnpike Road, from *Cepatchet Bridge in Gloucester to Connecticut Line*, on the great Road leading from *Providence to Killingly*; and they have requested this Assembly to grant them Authority to expend, for the said Purpose, the further Sum of *One Hundred and Fifty Pounds* :

Addition to the Act for making a Turnpike Road on the Killingly Road from Providence.

BE it therefore Enacted by this General Assembly and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That the said Persons in and by the said Act incorporated, their Associates, Successors and Assigns, be and they are hereby, authorized and empowered to expend, for the Purpose of completing the said Turnpike Road, a further Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds (making an Addition of Three Pounds to the Value of each Share in the said Act mentioned) in the same Manner as by the said Act they were authorized to expend the said Sum of Eight Hundred and Fifty Pounds : And that they be also authorized to reimburse themselves, their Associates, Successors and Assigns, the said Sum of One Hundred and Fifty Pounds, out of the Proceeds of the Toll which in and by the said Act they were authorized to levy and collect on said Turnpike Road, together with Twelve per Cent. Interest thereon, in the like Manner as the said Sum of Eight Hundred and Fifty Pounds was liable to be reimbursed to them in and by the said Act.

W. Thurber, a Justice for Providence. IT is Voted and Resolved, That William Thurber, Esq. be, and he is hereby, appointed a Justice of the Peace for the Town of Providence, in the Stead of John Mawney, Esq. who hath removed out of the Town.

Grant to Newport for the Support of French Exiles, £.105. WHEREAS an Account charged against the State, by the town of Newport, for the Support of distressed French Exiles from St. Domingo, hath been examined and allowed by the Town-Council of the said Town, and exhibited to this Assembly ; which Account was, by the Lower House of Assembly, referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, to wit :

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to examine the Account of the Town of Newport, for the Support of French Exiles, do report, that the Charges therein made, amounting to One Hundred and Five Pounds, are made agreeably to the Act of this Assembly passed at the last Session ; that the said Account is rightly cast, and properly vouched ; and that the General-Treasurer hath paid Forty-five Pounds in Part thereof, which leaves a Balance due thereon to the Town of Newport of Sixty Pounds. Which is submitted by

*THOMAS DUFFEE, } Committee,
NICHOLAS TAYLOR, }*

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted ; and that the said Balance of Sixty Pounds be allowed and paid to the Town-Treasurer of the Town of Newport, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Carter and Wilkinson allowed £.4 2 6. IT is Voted and Resolved, That Four Pounds Two Shillings and Six Pence be allowed and paid to Messrs. Carter and Wilkinson, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by

by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of their Account for a Record-Book for the Secretary's Office, and for inserting several Advertisements, for the State, in their Gazette.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Twenty-eight Pounds Sixteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Carr*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Pay-Abstract for his Wages as Gunner of Fort-Washington, from *May 4th, A. D. 1793*, to *May 4th, A. D. 1794*, and for the Wages of an Oarsman, during the same Time, and in the same Service, at the Rate of *One Pound Four Shillings* per Month, each. J. Carr allowed
£.28 16.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Two Pounds Two Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jonathan Almy*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for the Rent for Six Months (to the 31st of *October* instant) of One Third of a Lot of Land, and Houle thereon in *Newport*, being the Dower of Mrs. *Freelove Eldred*. J. Almy, allowed
£.2 2.

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Eleven Shillings* be allowed and paid to Mr. *Jehu Smith*, out of the General-Treasury in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for Materials provided for, and Work done upon the State-House in *Providence*. J. Smith allowed 11s.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed, by the Lower House of Assembly, to examine the Account, charged against the State, by *Richard Smith*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Bristol*, presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit* : R. Smith allowed
£.1 9 6.

AGREEABLY to our Appointment we have examined the Account of *Richard Smith*, Esq. and find the Sum of *One Pound Nine Shillings* and *Six Pence* due thereon. Which is submitted by

ELISHA R. POTTER, } Committee.
TILLINGHAST ALMY, }

AND the said Report being duly considered, *It is Voted and Resolved*, That the same be accepted ; and that the said Sum of *One Pound Nine Shillings* and *Six Pence* be paid to the said *Richard Smith*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; which shall be full Compensation for the said Account.

AN Account, charged against the State by the Town of *Bristol*, for the Support of divers *French* Exiles from *St. Domingo*, amounting to *Fifty-nine Pounds Five Shillings*, having been examined and approved by the Town-Council of the said Town, and exhibited to this Assembly, was, by the Lower House of Assembly, referred to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit* : Grant to Bristol for the Support of French Exiles £.59 5.

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WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to examine the foregoing Account, report, that we have performed the same, and find it rightly cast, and properly vouched. Which is submitted by

THOMAS DURFEE, } Committee
NICHOLAS TAYLOR, }

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted; and that the Amount of the said Account, being *Fifty-nine Pounds Five Shillings*, be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the said Town of *Bristol*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

Grant to
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the Support
of French Ex-
iles
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ANOTHER Account charged against the State, by the Town of *Newport*, for the Support of distressed *French* Exiles from *St. Domingo*, having been examined and allowed by the Town-Council of the said Town, and exhibited to this Assembly, was, by the Lower House of Assembly, submitted to a Committee, who made the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to examine a Second Account of the Town of *Newport*, for the Support of *French* Exiles, do report, that we have carefully examined the said Account, amounting to £.54 8 2, and find it properly vouched, and rightly cast. Which is submitted by

THOMAS DURFEE, } Committee.
NICHOLAS TAYLOR, }

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Fifty-four Pounds Eight Shillings and Two Pence* be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the said Town of *Newport*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

S. Wardwell
allowed
£.36 6 4.

WHEREAS *Thomas Durfee*, Esq. and Mr. *Nicholas Taylor*, who were appointed a Committee, by the Lower House of Assembly, to audit the Account of Mr. *Samuel Wardwell*, for completing the State-House in *Bristol*, presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to audit the Account of Mr. *Samuel Wardwell*, for finishing the State-House, in *Bristol*, amounting to *Sixty-six Pounds Six Shillings and Four Pence*, do report, that we have carefully examined the same, and find it properly vouched, and rightly cast. Which is submitted by

THOMAS DURFEE, } Committee.
NICHOLAS TAYLOR, }

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted; that *Thirty Pounds* heretofore allowed be deducted: And that the Sum of *Thirty-six Pounds Six Shillings and Four Pence*, being the Balance, due to the said *Samuel Wardwell*, be paid him out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

An ACT for a public THANKSGIVING.

FORASMUCH as it is the Duty of all Men to acknowledge, with the sincerest Gratitude, the Goodness of the Supreme Being, and, with the deepest Humility, to supplicate his benign protection, and the merciful Forgiveness of their Transgressions: Act for public Thanksgiving.

It is therefore Voted and Resolved, That *Thursday*, the Twentieth Day of *November*, in the present Year, be appointed to be observed as a Day of public Thanksgiving and Prayer to ALMIGHTY GOD: And that it be, and hereby is recommended to the People of this State to assemble at their usual Places of public Worship, on that Day, and with grateful Hearts to offer up Thanksgiving and Praise to the Creator and Preserver of the Universe, for his manifold Goodness to us and to all Men: For that it hath pleased him in a great Measure to lengthen out the Peace and Tranquillity of the United States; to prosper our Agriculture; to succour and protect our Trade and Commerce in so great a Degree; to inspire our Citizens with a Spirit of Enterprize in Manufactures, and other Improvements in the Arts and Conveniences of Life; to conciliate a friendly Disposition among foreign Powers towards these United States; and to effectuate in so many Countries a liberal Inquiry for the Means of human Happiness, and a Disposition to establish the Dignity of Man:—And to beseech *Almighty God* mercifully to forgive all our Transgressions; to continue and secure to us the Blessings of civil, social and private Life; and to have us at all Times in his holy and gracious Keeping and Protection.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That it be recommended to the People of this State to refrain on that Day from all servile Labor, and unnecessary Recreations: And that His Excellency the Governor be requested to issue a Proclamation agreeably to this Act.

Upon the Petition of divers Inhabitants of this State,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Act of this Assembly, passed at the Session held in *January*, A. D. 1790, entitled “An Act to incorporate certain Persons, by the Name of *The River Machine Company*, in the Town of *Providence*, and for other Purposes herein mentioned” be, and the same is hereby, suspended until the Rising of this Assembly, at the next Session. Act suspending the Act establishing the River-Machine Company.

Militia Officers for
Johnston.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the following Militia Officers be appointed for the Town of *Johnston*, to wit :

Joseph Alverton, Captain, *Laban Latham*, Lieutenant, and *Benjamin Whipple*, Ensign, of the First Company of Infantry : *Jonathan Patt*, Captain, *Daniel Wilbur*, Lieutenant, and *Albro Cleveland*, Ensign, of the Senior Class Company : And *Harris Skelton*, Ensign of the Third Company of Infantry, in the Room of *Daniel Mann*, who declines serving.

Petition of the Executors of *J. Jenckes*, deceased, respecting a Note given by him to *G. Howell*.

WHEREAS *David L. Barnes*, Esq. and *Joseph Jenckes*, Gentleman, Executors of the last Will of *John Jenckes*, Esq. late of *Providence*, deceased, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that, in Pursuance of an Act of this Assembly, passed at the Session held in *January, A. D. 1781*, the said *John Jenckes* paid to *John Beverly*, Esq. then Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, Two Hundred Silver Dollars, being the Amount of a Note of Hand he the said *John Jenckes* had given to *George Howell*, whose Estate was confiscated to the State ; and that an Action hath been commenced, and is now pending, against the said Petitioners, at the next Court of Common Pleas to be holden at *Boston*, in and for the County of *Suffolk*, in the Commonwealth of *Massachusetts*, for the Recovery of the said Note ; and thereupon prayed this Assembly to interpose and defend against the said Suit, or otherwise to indemnify them agreeably to the said Act of this Assembly :

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the Subject-Matter of the aforesaid Petition be referred to the Consideration of *Thomas Tillinghast*, *William Greene*, and *Ray Greene*, Esqrs. who are authorized and empowered to examine the proper Offices in this State, for Documents relative to the Confiscation of the said *George Howell's* Estate ; that on such Investigation they either direct a Defence of the said Suit, or settle the same on such Terms as they may think most conducive to the Interest of the State ; and that the General-Treasurer, agreeably to the Certificate of the said Committee, pay such Sum as they may find due to the said *George Howell*.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That the said Committee consider such other Demands as the said *George Howell* may exhibit against the State, receive Proposals of Accommodation therefor, and report to this Assembly, at the next Session, their Opinion whether they ought to be acceded to.

B. Wheeler
allowed 18s.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That *Eighteen Shillings* be allowed and paid to *Bennett Wheeler*, Esq. out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account to this Time for Printing done for the State.

W. Wheaton
allowed
£.3 8s.

WHEREAS a Committee appointed, by the Lower House of Assembly, to examine the Account of *William Wheaton*, Esq. for Work done upon the Gaol in the County of *Providence*, presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, to wit :

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WE the Subscribers being appointed a Committee to examine the Account of *William Wheaton*, Esq. do report, that we have done the same ; and that the Sum of *Three Pounds Eight Shillings* ought to be allowed thereon.

NICHOLAS EASTON, } Committee.
LORING PECK,

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted ; and that the aforesaid Sum of *Three Pounds Eight Shillings* be paid the said *William Wheaton*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; which shall be a full Compensation for the said Account.

WHEREAS a Committee appointed, by the Lower House of Assembly, to examine the Account of Mr. *Henry Bowen*, Town-Sergeant of *Providence*, for Attendance upon the Courts, in the County of *Providence*, &c. presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

H. Bowen
allowed
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WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee to examine the Account of Mr. *Henry Bowen*, do report, that we have done the same, and find the Sum of *Fourteen Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Three Pence* due thereon. Which is submitted by

ELISHA R. POTTER, } Committee.
SAMUEL WARDWELL.

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted ; and that the aforesaid Sum of *Fourteen Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Three Pence* be paid to the said *Henry Bowen*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; which shall fully discharge the said Account.

An A C T incorporating sundry Persons Inhabitants of the Town of *Smithfield*, in the County of *Providence*, by the Name of *The Smithfield Grenadiers*.

FORASMUCH as sundry Inhabitants of the Town of *Smithfield*, in the County of *Providence*, to wit : *William Harris, Abab Mowry, Samuel Thayer, Christopher Dexter, Jeremiah Bly, Charles Wright, Stephen Tourtellot, James Bly, Levi Bowen, Benoni Stone, Charles Angell, jun. Daniel Tourtellot, Asa Bates, Edward Tripp, Seth Weston, Nabum Aldrich, Thomas Aldrich, Philip Jones, Elisha Chace, Amos Ashby, Richard Olney, Duty Meckintire, Benjamin Bal-lou, Nathaniel Jenckes, James Bryant, Jesse Whipple, Daniel Hutch-*

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nson, Simon Whipple, Thomas Arnold, Reuben Place, Stephen Angell, Gideon Angell, John Wilkinson, Benjamin Jenckes, Asabel Wright, Richard Whitman, Jonathan Lapbam, Samuel Mann, George Streetter, John Joslin, Nicholas Jenckes, William D. Gray, Gideon Jenckes, William Arnold, Loammi Tucker, Nathaniel Harris, Newman Emerson, Nathaniel Mowry, Job Harris, Uriah Carpenter, Aaron Procter, William Jenckes, David Spalding, Owen Smith, Joseph Merry, George Eddy, Nehemiah Sprague, Stephen Farnum, George Smith, and Thomas Angell, have petitioned this Assembly for a Charter for incorporating them, and such others as may be joined to them hereafter by Inlistment, not exceeding Eighty Men, Rank and File, into an independent Company by the Name of *The Smithfield Grenadiers*: Wherefore this Assembly, to encourage their laudable Design to promote military Skill and Discipline in this State,

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and grant, that the said Petitioners, and such others as shall be added to them, not exceeding Eighty Men, Rank and File, be, and they are hereby declared to be, an independent Company, by the Name of *The Smithfield Grenadiers*; by that Name to have perpetual Succession; and to have and enjoy all the Privileges and Immunities hereafter granted.

IMPRIMIS. *It is granted* unto the said Company, that they, or the greater Number of them, shall and may once in every Year, *to wit*: On the Second *Wednesday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together in some convenient Place by them directed, then and there to choose their Officers, *to wit*: One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign and all other Officers requisite for the training, disciplining and well ordering the said Company; at which Meeting no Officer shall be chosen but by the greater Number of Voters then present; the Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being, and to be commissioned and engaged in the same Manner as other Military Officers are in this State.

SECONDLY. *That the said Company* shall have liberty to meet and exercise themselves upon such Days as they shall think proper, and shall be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Colonel and other Field Officers of the Regiment in whose District they live; and that they be obliged to meet at least Four Times in a Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of said Company, the following Fines, *to wit*: The Captain for every Days absence *Thirty-six Shillings*, lawful Money, the Lieutenants, and Ensign *Eighteen Shillings*, lawful Money, each, the Clerk and other non-commissioned Officers *Ten Shillings*, lawful Money, each, and each private Soldier *Six Shillings*, lawful Money, to be collected by Warrant of Distress, to be directed to the Clerk from the Captain, or other superior Officer for the Time being.

THIRDLY. *That the said Company*, or the greater Number of them, make such Laws, Rules, and Orders among themselves as they

they shall deem expedient for the well Ordering and Disciplining said Company ; provided the same are not repugnant to the Laws of this State ; and provided also that no Fines shall exceed *Six Shillings*, lawful Money, for any one single Offence, to be levied and collected in Manner above mentioned.

FOURTHLY. *That the said Company* may be composed of Persons belonging to the Town of *Cumberland*, who shall be willing to join, and be admitted by the said Company, as well as of Persons belonging to the Town of *Smithfield*.

FIFTHLY. *That the said Company*, in any of their exercises and trainings, shall not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Field Officers of the Regiment of Militia in whose District they are included, at any other Time than upon regimental training Days, and general muster Days.

SIXTHLY. THAT the Persons aforesaid, and all those who shall be duly enlisted into said Company, from the said Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland*, so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms or doing other military Duty (watching and warding excepted) in the several Companies or trained Bands, in whose district they respectively live.

SEVENTHLY. THAT if any Officer or Officers shall be disapproved of by the Governor and Council, or shall remove out of the said Towns of *Smithfield* and *Cumberland* to any other Place, or shall be removed by Death, that then, and in such Case, the Captain of said Company, or other Superior Officer for the Time being, shall call a Meeting for the Election of another or others in Manner as aforesaid.

EIGHTHLY. AND for the better Encouragement of the said Company, *It is granted*, That the Officers of said Company shall take Rank of all military Officers, of the same Denomination, in the Militia in this State ; that the said Officers shall be of the Court-Martial, and Council of War, in the County of *Providence* ; and that upon all general Exercises and general Musters, the said Company shall take the Right of the Regiment in which they respectively belong.

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Secretary of this State be, and he is hereby directed to make a fair Copy of this Act, establishing the independent Company called *The Smithfield Grenadiers*, affix the State Seal thereto, and transmit the same to the said Company.

WHEREAS *Benjamin Tillinghast* and *Jonathan Dean* both of *West-Greenwich*, in the County of *Kent*, Esqrs. and *Pardon Tillinghast* of *Exeter* in the County of *Washington*, Esq. preferred a Petition; and represented unto this Assembly, that at the Session of the General Assembly, held on the Second Monday in June, A. D. 1792, they were appointed Directors of a Lottery granted for the Benefit of *Par*
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don Allen; that they completed the Drawing of the First Class of the said Lottery, and settled the same; that, on the 27th Day of *November*, A. D. 1793, they proceeded to draw the Second Class, but before the Completion thereof they discovered Errors therein; and justified, as they conceived, by the uniform Practice in such Cases, they directed a Second Drawing of the said Second Class, which they regularly finished upon the 4th Day of *December* following: That *Thomas Phillips*, of *Exeter* aforesaid, Possessor of a Ticket, No. 685, against which a Prize was drawn, of 120 Dollars, in the said erroneous First Drawing of the said Second Class, commenced an Action against *Benjamin Tillinghast* aforesaid for the said Prize, at the Court of Common Pleas held in the County of *Washington*, aforesaid in *August*, A. D. 1794, and obtained a Judgment therefor: And that in Consequence of the said Judgment of Court they must, without the Interposition of this Assembly, be held to pay the Prizes drawn in both the drawings of the said Second Class, which will be their Ruin: And thereupon prayed this Assembly for Relief:

On due Consideration whereof,

It is hereby Voted and Resolved, That the First and Second Drawings of the said Second Class of the said Lottery be, and they are both hereby annulled, and rendered void: That the said Directors be, and they are hereby authorized and empowered to make a new Drawing of the said Second Class of the said Lottery, agreeably to the Authority heretofore vested in them as Directors of the said Lottery. And that the said new Drawing of the said Second Class of the said Lottery shall have full Force and Validity, as though no Drawing of the said Second Class had ever been had.

Officers
elected.

BOTH Houses being resolved into a Grand Committee.

THE Committee appointed to receive and count the Proxies for the Persons to represent this State in the Fourth Congress of the United States, to be holden on the Fourth Day of *March* next, made Report, that there was a Majority of Votes for *Benjamin Bourn*, and *Francis Malbone*, Esqrs. Whereupon the said *Benjamin Bourn*, and *Francis Malbone*, are hereby declared duly elected.

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WHEREAS His Excellency the Governor presented unto this Assembly the following List of the Officers appointed, and commissioned, to command the Detachment of Militia ordered by this Assembly, at the Session in *June* last, and of Officers by him appointed, and commissioned, to fill certain Vacancies in the Militia, *to wit*:

Officers for the Detachment of Militia:

First Regiment,	Second Regiment,
<i>William Tew</i> , Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant,	<i>Philip Martin</i> , Esq. Lieutenant-Colonel Commandant,
<i>Benj. Wardwell</i> , Esq. First Major,	<i>Thomas Westcot</i> , Esq. First Major,
<i>Benj. Taylor</i> , Esq. Second Major.	<i>Hugh Cole</i> , Esq. Second Major.
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Commissioned Officers taken from the Brigade of the Counties of *Newport* and *Bristol* :

Samuel Sanford, Captain,
Joseph Bos, jun. Captain,
Cooke Wilcox, Captain,
Joseph Bailey, Captain,
Joseph Barton, Captain,
Nathaniel Lyon, Lieutenant,
Daniel Howland, Lieutenant,
Thomas Richmond, Lieutenant,
Thomas Church, Lieutenant,
William Stall, Ensign,
Abraham Baley, Ensign,
Thomas Cooke, Ensign,
Ebenezer Peck, Ensign.

Commissioned Officers taken from the Brigade in the County of *Providence* :

From the Senior Class Regiment :
Peter Taylor, Captain,
Jonathan Patt, Lieutenant,
Edward Stafford, Ensign.

From the First Regiment :
Joshua Lindley, Captain,
Jeremiah Jenckes, Captain,
George Weeden, Captain,
Jabez Gorham, Lieutenant,
Jeremiah Whiting, Lieutenant,
George Robinson, Lieutenant,
George R. Burrill, Ensign,
Payton Dana, Ensign,
Jenckes Rutenburg, Ensign.

From the Second Regiment :
Isaac Otis, Captain,
Obed Sever, Captain,
Adam Jenckes, Lieutenant,
Moses Aldrich, Lieutenant,
Ezekiel Ballou, Ensign,
Abraham Angell, Ensign.

From the Third Regiment :
Benoni Colvin, Captain,
Reuben Steere, Lieutenant,
Ezekiel Bishop, Ensign.

From the Fourth Regiment :
Benedict Burlingame, Captain,

William Wheeler, Lieutenant,
James Place, Ensign.

From the Fifth Regiment :
Thomas Parker, Captain,
Nicholas Potter, Lieutenant,
Nathaniel Steere, Ensign.

From the Sixth Regiment :
Hopkins Hudson, Captain,
Samuel Randall, Lieutenant,
George Field, Ensign.

Commissioned Officers from the Brigade in the County of *Washington* :

From the Senior Class Regiment :
James Ross, Lieutenant,
Isaac Sheldon, Ensign.

From the First Regiment :
Benjamin Barber, Captain,
Joseph Noyes, jun. Captain,
Clarke Wells, Lieutenant,
Joseph Stanton (the Third) Lieutenant,
Nathan Potter, Ensign.

From the Second Regiment :
Benjamin Reynolds, Captain,
George Reynolds, Captain,
George Bissel, Lieutenant,
Asa Wilcox, Ensign.

From the Third Regiment :
Levi Totten, Captain,
Silas Kinyon, Lieutenant,
Robert Babcock, Ensign,
Nathan Barber, Ensign.

Commissioned Officers from the Brigade in the County of *Kent* :

Micah Whitmarsh, Captain,
Silas Bailey, Captain,
Joseph Wickes, Captain,
Duty Arnold (Son of Benj.) Lieut.
James Miller, Lieutenant,
William Greene (of Coventry) Lieutenant,

Thomas Stafford, Ensign,
Gardner Kinyon, Ensign,
Edmund Colvin, Ensign.

Officers to fill the Vacancies in the Militia :

Second Company in <i>Smithfield</i> :	<i>Barrington</i> Company :
<i>Joseph Wilkinson</i> , jun. Captain,	<i>Benjamin Martin</i> , Captain,
<i>Abraham Ballou</i> , Lieutenant,	<i>Amariab Lilly</i> , Lieutenant,
<i>Ebenezer Trask</i> , jun. Ensign.	<i>Ebenezer Peck</i> , Ensign.

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted ; that the Appointments to the Vacancies in the Militia be approved ; and that the said Report be entered in the Proceedings of this Assembly at the present Session.

Jeremiab Whipple was elected Ensign of the First Company of Infantry in *Smithfield*, in the Room of *Abraham Angell*, who resigned.

Officers appointed. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That the following Officers be appointed in the First Regiment of Militia in the County of *Newport*, to wit :

George W. Tew, Adjutant ; *George Waterhouse*, Ensign of Captain *Davenport's* Company ; and *Samuel Watson*, Ensign of Captain *Pease's* Company.

Officers appointed. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *Barnabas Clapp*, Esq. be appointed Sixth Justice of the Peace for the Town of *Little-Compton*. And that *John Davis*, be appointed Captain, *William Southworth*, Lieutenant, and *Benjamin Coe*, Ensign of the Senior Class Company in the same Town.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That *Nathan Barber*, be appointed Captain, *Gardner Thurston*, Lieutenant, and *George Maxson*, Ensign of the Senior Class Company in the Town of *Hopkinton*.

IT is further Voted and Resolved, That *Silas Clarke* be appointed Lieutenant of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *South-Kingstown*, in the Room of *Palmer Shearman*, who resigned ; and that *Robert Brown*, be appointed Ensign of the same Company.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, That *Perry Clarke* be appointed Captain, *Rowse Clarke*, Lieutenant, and *Benjamin Wilbur*, Ensign of the Second Company of Infantry in the Town of *Richmond*.

Committee to examine *Pawtucket* Bridge. *IT is Voted and Resolved*, That *Noah Mathewson*, Esq. *John Smith*, Esq, and Mr. *Edward Smith* be, and they are hereby, appointed a Committee to ascertain what Repairs are necessary to be made to *Pawtucket* Bridge ; and that *Stephen Jenckes*, jun. Esq. be appointed to make such Repairs to the said Bridge as the said Committee shall direct.

J. Niles, allowed £ 6 18 6. WHEREAS the Committee appointed, by the Lower House of Assembly, on the Account of *Jonathan Niles*, Esq. Sheriff of the County

County of *Kent*, to the present Time, for his Services in attending upon this Assembly, and the Courts in that County, for providing Wood and Candles, for transcribing Schedules, Proclamations, and Commissions to the proper Persons, for Repairs made on the Gaol, &c. presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit*:

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee on the Account of *Jonathan Niles*, Esq. Sheriff of the County of *Kent*, do report, that we have carefully examined the same, and find the Sum of *Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Six Pence* due thereon.

ELISHA R. POTTER, } Committee.
TILLINGHAST ALMY, }

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accepted; and that the said Sum of *Six Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Six Pence* be paid to the said *Jonathan Niles*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; which shall fully discharge the said Account.

WHEREAS it is desirable, on the Part of this State, that the Debt due from the United States to this State, as ascertained in the Settlement of Accounts between the United States and the individual States, should be transferable, to pay the Debts of this State; which cannot be effected without the Interposition of the Congress of the United States:

Application to be made to Congress to transfer the Debt due to the State to the State-Creditors.

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the Senators and Representatives from this State, in Congress, be requested to make an early Application for, and to use their Endeavours to procure the passing, an Act of Congress authorizing this State to transfer the Debt, due from the United States as aforesaid, to the Creditors of the State in Payment of the State Debt.

WHEREAS *Nathaniel Tucker*, of *Foster*, preferred a Petition, and represented unto this Assembly, that about Ten or Eleven Years ago, being then quite a Youth, he was convicted of taking Water-Melons from One of his Neighbours contrary to Law; whereby he was deprived of his Privileges; and that he hath since deported himself, and is determined in future to deport himself, as an honest Man, and a good Citizen; and prayed to be restored to his Privileges: And whereas a Number of respectable Inhabitants of the said Town joined in the Prayer of the said Petition:

N. Tucker restored to his Privileges.

IT is therefore Voted and Resolved, That the Prayer of the aforesaid Petition be granted; and that the said *Nathaniel Tucker* be, and he is hereby, restored to all the Privileges of a free Citizen of this State.

UPON due Consideration of the Petition of Mr. *Pateu*, a French Exile from *St. Domingo*, representing, that he, his Wife and Child have

Grant to *Pateu*, a French Exile.

have been supported by the Benevolence of the State ; and that he hath received such Information from *Charlestown*, that he hath great Reason to expect such Employment there, as will enable him to support himself and his Family ; but that he is utterly unable to defray the Expences of the Removal ; and praying the Assistance of this Assembly :

It is Voted and Resolved, That *Twelve Pounds* be allowed and paid to the said *Pateu*, out of the General-Treasury, to be appropriated to the Purpose aforesaid, under the Direction of the Town-Council of the Town of *Providence*.

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WHEREAS the Committee appointed, by the Lower House of Assembly, to examine an Account of *Jesse Whitmore*, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Providence*, for the Prison Fees, and Maintenance, of divers poor Prisoners committed at the Suit of the State, to the present Time, and for Repairs made on the said Gaol, amounting to *Sixteen Pounds Eight Shillings and Ten Pence One Farthing*, presented unto this Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers being appointed a Committee to examine the Account of *Jesse Whitmore*, Keeper of the Gaol in the County of *Providence*, do report, that we have carefully examined the said Account, and find it properly vouched and rightly cast.

NICHOLAS EASTON,
TILLINGHAST ALMY, } Committee.
JONATHAN MAXSON,

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted ; and that the said Sum of *Sixteen Pounds Eight Shillings and Ten Pence One Farthing* be paid to the said *Jesse Whitmore*, out of the General Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

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WHEREAS the same Committee made the following Report, on another Account of the same *Jesse Whitmore*, for his Services, to the present Time, as a Deputy-Sheriff of the County of *Providence*, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers, being appointed a Committee on a Second Account of *Jesse Whitmore*, as a Deputy Sheriff for the County of *Providence*, do report, that we have carefully examined the same ; and that there is due thereon the Sum of *Four Pounds Seven Shillings*.

NICHOLAS EASTON,
TILLINGHAST ALMY, } Committee.
JONATHAN MAXSON,

On due Consideration whereof,

It is Voted and Resolved, That the aforesaid Report be accepted ; and that the said Sum of *Four Pounds Seven Shillings* be paid to the said

said *Jesse Whitmore*, out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange ; which shall fully discharge the said account.

ON due Consideration of the Petition of *Nathan Potter*, of *Coven-* Forfeited
try, Yeoman, representing to this Assembly, that, on the 28th Day Money
of *February*, A. D. 1789, he lodged with *Stephen Potter*, Esq. then granted to
One of the Justices of the Superior Court, the Sum of *Forty-Three* *N. Potter.*
Pounds, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, to discharge Two
Notes of Hand due to *Charles Lippitt*, of *Providence*, which being
refused by him was deposited in the General-Treasury ; and pray-
ing that the same may be restored to him :

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the said *Nathan Potter*, be and he
is hereby, empowered to receive out of the General-Treasury the
same Money that was lodged therein, on the abovementioned Account.

WHEREAS the Committee appointed, by the Lower House of As- S. *McClellan*
sembly on the Account of *Samuel McClellan*, Esq. for his Time, allowed
Horsehire and Expences, in going Express to *Newport*, to carry £ 2 8,
Dispatches for his Excellency the Governor, presented unto this
Assembly the following Report thereon, *to wit* :

WE the Subscribers, a Committee on the Account of *Samuel*
McClellan, do report that we have examined the same, and think he
ought to be allowed *Two Pounds Eight Shillings*.

JONATHAN MAXSON, } Committee.
TILLINGHAST ALMY, }

On due Consideration whereof,

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the foregoing Report be accept-
ed ; and that the aforesaid Sum of *Two Pounds Eight Shillings* be
paid to the said *Samuel McClellan*, out of the General-Treasury, in
Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the estab-
lished Rate of Exchange.

A SECOND Account of the Town of *Providence*, for the Support *Providence*
of *French* Exiles from *St. Domingo*, having been examined and al- allowed
lowed by the Town-Council of that Town, and duly considered by £ 20 8.
this Assembly :

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the same be allowed ; and that
the Sum of *Twenty Pounds Eight Shillings*, being the Amount there-
of, be paid to the Town-Treasurer of the said Town of *Providence*,
out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emit-
ted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange.

An A C T incorporating fundry Persons Inhabitants of the Town of *Cumberland*, in the County of *Providence*, by the Name of *The Cumberland Light Infantry*.

Charter to
the *Cumber-
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Infantry*.

FORASMUCH as fundry Inhabitants of the Town of *Cumberland*, in the County of *Providence*, to wit: *Whipple Lovett, William Balcomb, James Arnold, Bani Bartlett, William Miller, Levi Newell, Zibina Cooke, Preserved Cooke, Jonathan Pratt, Reuben Wood, Elijab Darling, Silas Capron, Darius Ballou, Samuel Estes, Billy Whipple, Benjamin Lovett, Daniel Aldrich, Benjamin Hall, and Setb Sprague*, have petitioned this Assembly for a Charter for incorporating them, and such others as may be joined to them hereafter by Inlistment, not exceeding Sixty-four Men, Rank and File, into an independent Company by the Name of *The Cumberland Light Infantry*: Wherefore this Assembly, to encourage their laudable Design to promote military Skill and Discipline:

HAVE ordained, constituted and granted, and do hereby ordain, constitute and grant, that the said Petitioners, and such others as shall be added to them, not exceeding Sixty-four Men, Rank and File, be, and they are hereby declared to be, an independent Company, by the Name of *The Cumberland Light Infantry*, by that Name to have perpetual Succession; and to have and enjoy all the Privileges and Immunities hereafter granted.

IMPRIMIS. *It is granted* unto the said Company, that they, or the greater Number of them, shall and may once in every Year, to wit: On the Second *Wednesday* in *April*, meet and assemble themselves together in some convenient Place by them directed, then and there to choose their Officers, to wit: One Captain, Two Lieutenants, One Ensign and all other Officers requisite for the training, disciplining and well ordering of the said Company; at which Meeting no Officer shall be chosen but by the greater Number of Voters then present; the Captain, Lieutenants, and Ensign to be approved of by the Governor and Council for the Time being, and to be commissioned and engaged in the same Manner as other Military Officers are in this State.

SECONDLY. *That the said Company* shall have liberty to meet and exercise themselves upon such Days as they shall think proper, and shall be subject to the Orders and Directions of the Colonel or other Field Officers of the Regiment in whose District they live; and that they be obliged to meet at least Four Times in a Year, upon the Penalty of paying, to and for the Use of the said Company, the following Fines, to wit: The Captain for every Days absence *Thirty-six Shillings*, lawful Money, the Lieutenants, and Ensign *Eighteen Shillings*, lawful Money, each, the Clerk and other non-commissioned Officers *Ten Shillings*, lawful Money, each, and each private Soldier *Six Shillings*, lawful Money, to be collected by Warrant of Distress,

trefs, to be directed to the Clerk from the Captain, or other superior Officer for the Time being.

THIRDLY. *That the said Company, or the greater Number of them, make such Laws, Rules, and Orders among themselves as they shall deem expedient for the well Ordering and Disciplining the said Company; provided no Fine exceed the Sum of Six Shillings, lawful Money, for any one Offence, to be levied and collected in Manner above mentioned.*

FOURTHLY. *That the said Company may be composed of Persons belonging to the Town of Smithfield, who shall be willing to join, and be admitted by the said Company, as well as of Persons belonging to the said Town of Cumberland.*

FIFTHLY. *That the said Company, in any of their exercises and trainings, shall not be subject to the Orders or Directions of the Field Officers of the Regiment of Militia in whose District they are included, at any other Time than upon regimental training Days, and general muster Days.*

SIXTHLY. *THAT the Persons aforesaid, and all those who shall be duly enlisted into the said Company, from said Towns of Cumberland, and Smithfield so long as they shall continue therein, shall be exempted from bearing Arms or doing other military Duty (watching and warding excepted) in the several Companies or trained Bands, in whose district they respectively live.*

SEVENTHLY. *THAT if any Officer or Officers shall be disapproved of by the Governor and Council, or shall be removed out of the said Towns of Cumberland and Smithfield to any other Place, or shall be removed by Death, then, and in such Case, the Captain of the said Company, or other Superior Officer for the Time being, shall call a Meeting for the Election of another or others in Manner as aforesaid.*

EIGHTHLY. *AND for the better Encouragement of the said Company, It is granted, That the Officers of the said Company shall take Rank of all military Officers, of the same Denomination, in the Militia of this State; that the said Officers shall be of the Court-Martial, and Council of War, in the County of Providence; and that upon all general Exercises and general Musters, they shall take the Right of the Regiment in which they respectively belong, next to the Grenadier Company of Smithfield.*

It is Voted and Resolved, That the Secretary of this State upon the application of, and at the Expence of, the said Company, be and he is hereby directed to make a fair Copy of this Act, establishing the independent Company called The Cumberland Light Infantry, and affix the Seal of the State thereto.

AND it is further Voted and Resolved, At the Request of said Company, that the following Officers be and they are hereby appointed

pointed to command the same, until the Second *Wednesday* of *April* next, to wit : *Whipple Lovett*, Captain, *William Balcomb*, Lieutenant, and *James Arnold*, Ensign.

An ACT in Amendment of an Act, entitled “An Act to prevent the Fish from being hindered in their Courses of going into *Point-Judith-Ponds*, and *Petaquamscut-River*.”

An Act respecting the Fishery in *Point Judith Pond*.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That no Person or Persons shall, at any Time from the Tenth Day of *August* to the Tenth Day of *January* in every Year, set or draw any Net or Seine for the catching or hauling any Fish whatever at the Breach, or Entrance of *Petaquamscut-River*, nor within One Mile thereof, nor within the said Breach as far up as an Island in the Ponds, commonly called *Mumfords-Island* or the great Island, nor in the Channel at the Southwest End thereof, nor within said *Petaquamscut-River*, up the same to the Distance of Half a Mile into the Pond, called *Petaquamscut-Pond*, under the Penalty of *Three Pounds* lawful Money for each Person concerned therein, together with the Forfeiture of the Boat and Seine. And all Offenders against this Act shall be proceeded against, and the Penalties and Forfeitures arising thereon be appropriated, in the same Manner as is directed in the abovementioned Act.

An ACT for granting and apportioning a Tax of *Six Thousand Pounds*, lawful Money, upon the Inhabitants of this State.

Tax assessed £. 6000.

BE it Enacted by this General Assembly, and by the Authority thereof it is hereby Enacted, That a Tax for raising the Sum of *Six Thousand Pounds*, lawful Money, be granted and assessed upon the Polls and Estates of all the Inhabitants of this State; to be collected and paid into the General-Treasury of this State, on or before the First Day of *February* next: And that the same be appropriated to and for such Uses as the General Assembly shall or may hereafter direct.

It is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Poll-Tax be *Three Shillings*, being *Six Pence* upon every *Thousand Pounds*; and that all Male Persons of the Age of *Twenty-one Years*, and upwards (excepting settled Ministers of the Gospel) shall pay the Poll-Tax.

It is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said Tax shall be, and the same is hereby assessed unto, and upon the several Towns in this State, in the following Proportions, to wit :

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Newport shall pay,	£. 339	0	0		
Portsmouth,	185	5	8		
Jamestown	105	0	0		
Middletown,	102	5	10		
Tiverton,	215	16	0		
Little-Compton.	168	14	0		
New-Shoreham,	67	4	0		
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Providence,	484	0	3		
Smithfield,	387	10	0		
Scituate,	203	13	0		
Glocester,	302	11	7		
Cumberland,	178	6	3		
Cranston,	237	7	10		
Johnston,	124	13	0		
North-Providence,	94	17	0		
Foster,	138	19	2		
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Westerly,	184	4	3		
North-Kingstown,	281	2	9		
South-Kingstown,	463	4	0		
Charlestown,	153	11	9		
Richmond,	133	9	10		
Hopkinton,	172	12	4		
Exeter,	193	17	3		
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Bristol,	130	0	6		
Warren,	78	4	9		
Barrington,	60	15	0		
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Warwick,	318	15	0		
East-Greenwich,	153	12	0		
West Greenwich,	152	8	0		
Coventry,	188	19	0		
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AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Town or Towns which shall not pay in their Proportion of the said Tax, at the Time limited for the Payment thereof as aforesaid, shall pay Interest for the Sum in which they shall be deficient, until the same be paid: That the Towns which shall be delinquent shall be responsible therefor to the General-Treasurer: That the Collectors of the Taxes in the several Towns be, and they are hereby empowered and directed to collect the Interest, with the Principal, from the delinquent Individuals after the aforesaid Time: And that in Case any Execution shall be issued from the General-Treasurer against the Treasurer of any delinquent Town, the Collectors be, and they are hereby directed and empowered to collect from the individual De-

linquents all the Costs and Expences, which shall accrue thereon, in Proportion to the Sums due from such Delinquents respectively.

AND be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid. That the Assessors or Rate-makers shall assess and apportion the said Tax, and return a true List or Bill of the same unto the Clerk of the Town to which they shall respectively belong, on or before the Fifteenth Day of December next, who is hereby required to send a Copy thereof, within Six Days from his receiving the same, to the General-Treasurer: That the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby directed and required to issue his Warrant, within Four Days, to the several Town-Treasurers, to be by them directed to the several Collectors of Taxes in the several Towns, requiring them, in the Name of the Governor and Company of this State, to levy, collect and pay unto the General Treasurer, for the Time being, the several Sums respectively committed to them to collect; And that the several Collectors of Taxes be, and they are hereby directed and required to use all Diligence in collecting and paying the same into the General-Treasury, before or at the Time limited by this Act.

AND be it further enacted, That each respective Town shall pay all the Charges and Fees, that shall accrue or arise in or upon the assessing, levying and collecting its Part of the aforesaid Tax: And that upon the Neglect or Refusal of any Town in this State to assess, levy, collect and pay into the General-Treasury their Proportion of the said Tax, by the Time aforesaid, the General-Treasurer be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to issue his Execution against the Town-Treasurer of such Town, for its Proportion or Deficiency of the said Tax, which Execution shall be returnable in Ten Days after the Date thereof.

AND be it further enacted, That the Town-Treasurer in each respective Town in this State be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to sue out and prosecute the Bond or Security, that shall be by him taken from the Collectors of the said Tax, to a Special Court of Common Pleas in the County where such Bond or Security shall be so taken; which Special Court of Common Pleas shall be convened in the usual Manner, have the same Power that Special Courts have heretofore had in this State, and take the same Fees. And the Judgment of such Special Court shall be final.

AND be it further Enacted, That the Town-Clerks in the several Towns in this State be, and they are hereby required to send the Names of the Town-Treasurers, and Collectors of Taxes, of their respective Towns to the General-Treasurer, at the same Time they shall send a Copy of the Rate-List.

AND be it further Enacted, That the Assessors be, and they are hereby empowered to consider the Circumstances of the Poor in their respective Towns, and exempt such from the Poll-Tax as they shall think are unable to pay the same.

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AND be it further Enacted, That the several Towns be, and they are hereby empowered to make Choice of new Assessors and Collectors, for assessing and collecting the said Tax.

AND be it further Enacted, That the said Tax be received by the Collectors, and paid into the General-Treasury, in Silver or Gold, in the Notes of the *Providence Bank*, in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State in *May, A. D. 1786*, at the established Rate of Exchange, and in orders drawn on the General-Treasury: *Provided nevertheless*, That the Notes of the *Providence Bank* being made receivable in the present Tax shall not be drawn into Precedent.

AND whereas many Citizens, in several of the Towns in this State, have expressed Dissatisfaction at the foregoing Apportionment of the State Taxes, upon their respective Towns: *It is therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid*, That as soon as a new Estimate of the rateable Polls and Estates, in the several Towns in this State shall be had, the present Apportionment shall be revised: That in all Cases where it shall appear by such new Estimate that any Towns in this State have been over-rated in the present Apportionment, such Towns shall be redressed in the next State Tax which shall be assessed, by having their present Surplus deducted from their Proportion of the said next Tax, and put upon the several Towns that shall appear thereby to have been under-rated in the present Tax, in Proportion to the several Sums which they shall respectively appear, by such new Estimate, to have been under-rated in the present Tax.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That the Secretary be, and he is hereby directed to send a Copy of this Act to each and every Town Treasurer in the State, within Twenty Days after the Rising of this Assembly, to be by him forthwith delivered to the Assessors or Rate-makers of his Town.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Eight Hundred Dollars be granted to *James Helme*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury, in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange, on Account of the Repairs made by him on the State-House in the County of Washington; and that he account for the same. *Grant to James Helme 800 Dollars.*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That One Pound Seven Shillings and Six Pence be allowed and paid to Mr. *John Lassell*, out of the General-Treasury in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit, emitted by this State, at the established Rate of Exchange; and that the same shall be in full of his Account for Attendance upon this Assembly, at the present Session. *John Lassell allowed £. 1 7 6.*

IT is Voted and Resolved, That Three Pounds Four Shillings and Six Pence be allowed and paid to *Samuel Eddy*, Esq. out of the General-Treasury in Specie, or in the Bills of Credit emitted by this State *Samuel Eddy allowed £. 3 4 6.*

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State at the established Rate of Exchange ; it being the Amount of his Account for attending upon this Assembly, at the present Session, as Clerk of the Lower House of Assembly, and for providing Paper and Quills.

Adjourn-
ment.

IT is Voted and Resolved, That all Business lying before this Assembly unfinished, be, and the same is hereby, referred to the next Session : That the Secretary publish and transmit to the several Towns, in the usual manner, Copies of the Acts and Orders now made and passed : And that this Assembly, be, and hereby is adjourned to the last *Monday* in *January* next, then to convene in the State-House in *East-Greenwich*.

GOD save the UNITED STATES of *AMERICA*.

A TRUE COPY, DULY EXAMINED :

WITNESS,

Henry Ward Lacy



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